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Chapel on fire at night

SPANISH WAR FRONT PALMA BOMBED

Barcelona, Dec. 8: Government machines to-day bombed Palma on the island of Majorca killing three persons. Insurgents claim to have brought down five Government planes while the damage occasioned by the raid was not important.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

BRITISH PROTEST
London, Dec. 8: The British Ambassador at Hendaye, Sir Henry Chilton, has been instructed to tell General Franco that the British Government does not recognise his right to blockade the Spanish coast also to protest against the laying of mines at the entrance to Spanish ports.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

H.K.-BANGKOK AIR SERVICE ON DECEMBER 19

London, Dec. 8: Questions passed on the assumption that the Imperial Airways had failed in their efforts to establish the Bangkok-Hong Kong air service agreeably proved that there is no base for the fact when Mr. Eden, in the House of Commons, expressed gratification in announcing that the British representative at Bangkok has reached a formal agreement with the Siam Government on December 3 under which the service from Bangkok will be inaugurated on December 19. The Notes exchanged will be tabled in due course.—*Reuter.*

YUNNAN-HANOI AIR SERVICE

Shanghai, Dec. 8: Following a successful test flight the Eurasia Aviation Corporation formally inaugurated the Yunnan-Hanoi line on December 4. One round trip will be made weekly. Arrangements are also being made to link up the service with other lines of the Corporation. When these are completed the planes will take off from Hankow to Yunnanfu via Sian and Chengtu each Wednesday and leave Yunnanfu for Hanoi on Thursday. On the same day planes will fly back to Yunnanfu from Hanoi resuming the trip on Friday to Sian and Hankow.—*Reuter.*

DELBOS IN ROUMANIA

Bucharest, Dec. 8: M. Delbos, French Foreign Minister, arrived in Roumania after a visit to Poland. The Roumanian press took the occasion to fetter the solidarity of France and Roumania while the Foreign Minister of the country made a statement in similar terms.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

SEAFORTH'S PRIZE MEETING

Cabar Feidh
Rifle Club

The annual two-day prize meeting of the 1st Battalion, the Seaforth Highlanders, (The Cabar Feidh Rifle Club) was held at the Army Ranges, Kowloon City, on Monday and Tuesday.

At the conclusion of the events, the prizes were distributed by Lieut.-Col. J. Muirhead, M.C., Officer Commanding the Seaforth Highlanders, who is leaving for England to-day aboard H.M. troopship Dilwara.

Detailed results of the meeting are as follows:—

Boys Match (30 yds.)—1, Boy Pynes, Boy Carmichael 18/20 points; 3, Boy Galloway.

Deliberate (300 yds.)—Sergeant Hutton, Sergt. McPherson, Cpl. Richardson, L/Cpl. Clark, L/Cpl. Sweet, Pte. McKinley, Pte. McDougall—18/20 points.

Rapid Firing (300 yds.)—1, Pte. Green "49", 17/20 points; 2, Sergt. Thompson, L/Sergt. Moffat, 16/20 points.

Snaphooting (300 yds.)—L/Cpl. Clark, Pte. Whittle, Pte. Walsley, 18/20 points.

Lewis Gun Match (400 yds.)—1, Pte. McDonald "13", 28/40 points; 2, Cpl. Clark, Pte. Blackley, 16/40 points.

Revolver Match (15 yds.)—Pipe Major McLennan, 17/24 points; 2, L/Cpl. Watson; 3, Sergt. Mayne. The Colonel Stewart Inter-Coy. Revolver Cup—1, Headquarters Wing, 84 points; 2, "C" Coy, 74; 3, "A" Coy, 71.

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CHINESE COOLIES CEASE WORK

In Japanese Iron Mine

Singapore, Dec. 8: Seven hundred Chinese coolies stopped work at a Japanese iron mine in Johore, refusing "to assist in the production of metal which is being used for munitions against the Chinese." It is expected that Malayan Chinese employers will find the coolies other employment.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

SIR ROBERT CRAIGIE SEES HIROTA

Tokyo, Dec. 8: The British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, called on the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, and reportedly discussed the China situation including the reaction to the Japanese victory march in Nanking Road on December 3 and the recent bombing of the British steamers, Tuckwo and Tatung, at Wuhu on December 5.—*Reuter.*

NANKING'S TRAGIC POSITION EXCITES WIDE SYMPATHY

JAPAN WARNED OF DANGERS OF WAR ATTRITION

CHINESE CAPITAL NOW ONE LARGE FORTIFICATION

London, December 8: Nanking's tragic position excites the widest sympathy of many normally uninterested in the Far East who commiserate with the "poor Chinese." The effect of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's departure is much canvassed.

Admiration for the gallant Chinese efforts does not prevent the general feeling that China will get better terms for peace-making now than by prolonged resistance.

The "Times" says that Chiang Kai-shek who is always a dour man is now desperate. It stresses the thousand difficulties and expenses for Japan in consolidating the occupied territory and her long-term prospects in China are not reassuring.

The "Daily Mail" expects that the fall of Nanking will bring a favourable opportunity for peace-making.

The "News Chronicle" warns against Japan being allowed to borrow abroad to finance her capital for the development of China.

Paris papers nervously canvass the results of a Japanese victory and some warn Japan of the dangers of war attrition.—*Reuter.*

Nanking, December 8: The terrain and the defences set up by Chinese troops make the city one large fortification. The existence of the so-called safety zone in such an area represents a contradiction to the terms, for how can a fortress and a safety zone exist side by side?

Japanese military authorities, however, do not wish intentionally to draw foreign lives and property as well as those of Chinese non-combatants into the ravages of war. Thus they find themselves, for the above reasons, unable to extend any assurance or guarantee regarding the safety zone. Persons who evacuate to the safety zone do so at their own risk and the Japanese authorities cannot be held responsible.—*Reuter.*

A.D.C. STAGES MASTERPIECE

'OUTWARD BOUND' HAS SUCCESSFUL FIRST NIGHT

Efficient acting all round, good staging and simple but effective setting contributed to the success of the performance of Sutton Vane's play, "Outward Bound," by the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club at the China Fleet Club Theatre last night.

Principal credit goes to the producer, Cyril Brown. His is a difficult and thankless task; many people who witness a theatrical performance are apt to forget the tremendous responsibility that devolves upon the producer.

With a play such as "Outward Bound," success or failure depends to an enormous extent on proper interpretation and handling. The manner of interpretation is suggested by the producer and executed, with a varying degree of liberty, by the actor. Mr. Brown has grasped the author's ideas very well, and last night's performance showed how ably he has made his actors respond to his direction.

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CUSTOMS POSTS FOR JAPANESE

Tokyo, Dec. 8: According to reports from Shanghai additional Japanese will be given posts in the Customs as a result of negotiations between Mr. Okamoto, Japanese Consul-General and the Commissioner of Customs in Shanghai.

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 30-15/16

T.T. ON LONDON: 1s. 27/8d.

London Silver Market

(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, Dec. 8: London silver prices to-day were up 1/8 as follows:—

Dec. 7. Dec. 8.

Spot..... 18-1/2 18-5/8

Forward..... 18-3/16 18-5/16

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Hong Kong Will Be Defended

Eden's Assurance
In Commons

London, Dec. 8: "I have no statement to make on this," said Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, in the House of Commons to-day in reply to Lieut.-Commander Fletcher who desired the latest information available regarding the composition and position of the Japanese naval, military and air forces in the proximity of Hong Kong.

Mr. G. Mander asked for an assurance that the Government intended to defend Hong Kong in all circumstances.

Mr. Eden: Mr. Mander must know that very well. It has been stated over and over again that the British Government will defend British possessions wherever they may be.—*Reuter.*

Reminder

The Public is reminded of the "black-out" which will be in force from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. to-night. The temporary regulations under the Lighting Control Ordinance, 1936, providing for this "black-out" were published as Government Notification No. 872 in the Hong Kong Government Gazette of December 3, 1937, and with an explanatory notice, in the local Press on the same day.

With certain exceptions, which are specified in the Temporary Regulations, all external lights must be extinguished, and all internal lights, if not extinguished, must be so screened as to be invisible from outside.

The use of headlights on motor vehicles is prohibited.

The public is particularly requested to note that the "black-out" must commence punctually at 8 p.m. irrespective of whether the alarm, which will be tested at approximately that time, is heard. It is not expected that the alarm will be heard outside certain parts of the Central District.

R.A.F. FLIGHT PROGRESS

Jerusalem, Dec. 7. Five R.A.F. flying boats, which are flying to Sydney for the 150th anniversary of New South Wales, passed over Jerusalem this morning.—*Reuter.*

FOREIGNERS ASKED TO LEAVE NANKING

HOSTILITIES MAY
EXTEND TO CITY
AT ANY MOMENT

Shanghai, Dec. 8: The Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Okamoto, to-day formally requested the Senior Consul to inform his colleagues to urge the evacuation of their nationals from Nanking at the earliest possible moment in view of the danger to which the city is exposed.

Mr. Okamoto's request says, "It is the earnest wish of the Japanese forces that all foreign nationals remaining in Nanking should get away as much as possible from the zone of actual fighting by evacuating from the city without delay. This request is urgently made due to preventing any foreigners from becoming involved in the dangers of hostilities which may extend to that city at any moment."—*Reuter.*

SAFETY ZONE

Shanghai, Dec. 8. In connection with Mr. Okamoto's request to the Senior Consul, A Japanese Embassy spokesman draws attention to the question of a neutral zone in Nanking. The spokesman says that according to despatches emanating from Nanking a large number of Chinese refugees are entering the zone. The despatches also mention the activities of members of the committee of the so-called safety zone. Japanese authorities, in view of natural and actual difficulties, have been unable, much to their regret, to give any assurances regarding the so-called safety zone.—*Reuter.*

H.M.S. CORNWALL

London, Dec. 8. The ten-thousand tons eight-inch gun cruiser Cornwall to-day completes to full crew at Chatham. She will join the Second Cruiser Squadron Home Fleet which will thus be restored for the first time since 1925 to its normal strength of five ships. The others are H.M.S. Southampton, Newcastle, Sheffield and Glasgow all of the new 9,000 tons six-inch gun class.—*British Wireless Service.*

MANSLAUGHTER VERDICT BY KOWLOON JURY

Consider Conduct Of Police Officer Highly Reprehensible

"DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO CONCEAL WHAT ACTUALLY OCCURRED"

Returning their verdict in the inquest into the death of a man, Chan Sun, who died as a result of rupture of the spleen on Aug. 31, a jury comprising Messrs. J. Revie (foreman), William Law, and T. F. dos Remedios declared, in their findings, that they considered that a deliberate attempt was made to conceal what actually occurred in this case and that the conduct of Sub-Inspector W. Hynes was highly reprehensible.

The inquest was concluded before Mr. K. Keen, sitting as Coroner at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday after a protracted hearing which was commenced on November 2.

Police officers present in Court were:—Mr. R. H. E. Marks, A.S.P. (Kowloon), Det.-Insp. A. E. Carey (representing the Police), and Inspector E. J. Ellis (representing the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs).

Mr. John Whyatt, Assistant Crown Solicitor, represented the Hon. Inspector General of Police.

It will be recalled that at the previous hearings, Chan Sun, according to evidence, died while on the way to the Kwong Wah

Hospital from the Shamshuipo Police Station where, it was alleged, he had been assaulted by a Chinese detective.

Chan Sun and his friend, Wong Lap, were arrested by the police following the discovery of the loss of a sewing machine and clothing material on the morning of August 31. They were detained at the Shamshuipo Police Station for several hours on the same evening. After being questioned individually three times in a small room where Wong Lap alleged he had been assaulted, they were released.

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JAPANESE ATTACK REPULSED

IN NANKING SUBURBS

Nanking, Dec. 8: An attack on Shihchiachin near Shuhsuchen, 12 kilometres outside Kwanghuan Gate, by 1,000 Japanese Infantry and cavalry men supported by about thirty tanks was repelled by a Chinese regiment after a three-hour fight early this morning.

The Japanese left about 100 dead, five damaged tanks, two light machine-guns and more than 50 rifles on the battlefield, whilst the Chinese defenders suffered about 300 casualties.

Fighting also took place this morning at Tuchwang, a point north of Mullingwan, about 22 kilometres south of Nanking, between 2,000 Japanese troops supported by a number of tanks and a Chinese regiment.

As a result of the encounter, the Japanese have occupied a hill nearby, but the Chinese forces are maintaining positions in the immediate neighbourhood. With both sides rushing reinforcements to the spot, bitter fighting is anticipated.—*Central News.*

RESIGNATION OF CHIANG UNFOUNDED

New York, Dec. 8. The "New York Times," in a special despatch from Shanghai, reported the resignation of the Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese forces, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. As possible successors for the post of Generalissimo, the names of the former Prime Minister, Wang Ching-wei, or the former Foreign Minister, Chang Chun, or the War Minister, Ho Yin-chin, are mentioned.—*Transocean.*

A Transocean message from Hankow however, states:—

Reports of the resignation of the Generalissimo are regarded here as utterly unfounded. It is reported that the Generalissimo has left Nanking in order to proceed to the front, and that he is personally directing operations for the defence of the capital and the defence lines behind the capital.—*Transocean.*

EMPIRE EXHIBITION

London, Dec. 8: Ninety-thousand season tickets have been sold for the Empire Exhibition to be held in Glasgow next year.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*



A party of refugees

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and Refugees

MANSLAUGHTER VERDICT BY KOWLOON JURY

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Sub-Inspector Hynes, officer on charge room duty at the Sham-shulpo Police Station on the day in question, in the witness stand yesterday said that about 5.30 p.m. four men entered the charge room. One of them was Chan-Fat, district watchman No. 38. One other was Chad Sun (deceased) who was a suspect in a case of alleged theft of a sewing machine.

Witness said that on learning from the district watchman that he wished to have deceased questioned, sent for detective C454, Chan Chun, to take charge of the case. Detective-Serg. F. Nolan was also detailed to take over investigations.

NO EVIDENCE

Sub-Ins. Hynes stated that he returned to the charge room to resume his work. After a considerable length of time, Nolan informed him that there was no evidence which could connect the deceased with the alleged larceny, and that the parties would be released. Chan Chun also came in and made a similar report.

Witness said he left the charge room a little later and C454 pointed in the direction of the station steps where witness saw a man lying on the ground. He called for the interpreter and discovered that the man was Chan Sun and that he was suffering from pains in the stomach. An ambulance was summoned. C454 and another detective assisted deceased on to a stretcher and he was conveyed to the Kwong Wah Hospital as a sick and destitute.

In answer to Mr. Whyatt, witness said that if he knew then that Chan Sun had a wife and a fixed abode he would not have sent him to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

After sending deceased to hospital he did not taken steps to investigate or to locate his relatives because he (witness) had been informed that deceased did not have a fixed place of abode.

NO ENTRY MADE

Witness also stated, in reply to Mr. Whyatt, that he did not make an entry in the Rough Book, as usually was the case, regarding the investigations. He did not have the time, for, at that moment, there were many hawkers' cases that had to be charged. He also did not make any entry in the Refused Charge book when the parties were released and added that he did not have time to have his dinner that evening.

THE VERDICT

After retiring for about ten minutes the jury returned the following verdict:

"The jury finds that C454, Chan Chun, is guilty of manslaughter."

"The jury also considers that a deliberate attempt was made to conceal what actually occurred in this case and that the conduct of Sub-Inspector Hynes is highly reprehensible."

"The jury views with the gravest concern that but for the almost accidental fact of the special order in relation to the cholera epidemic the cause of Chan Sun's death would never have been revealed. We respectfully suggest that an order might be made to make it impossible for a body to be buried without the cause of death being first ascertained and certified."

The Coroner said: "I agree with all that the jury has said, with the exception that I consider manslaughter against person or persons unknown as a more suitable verdict."

POSSESSION OF ILLICIT STILL

The maximum sentence of 12 months' hard labour, with the alternative of a fine of \$1,500, was imposed on Wong Fun, self-described as a tailor, when he appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday on four charges of possession of an illicit still, possession of dutiable spirits, possession of fermenting material and distilling liquor without a licence at No. 43 Mosque Junction, second floor, on Tuesday.

Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmit said when the place was raided a miniature distilling factory was in full blast. There was a large still occupying the whole of the kitchen and six gallons of wine were found. Apart from the duty of which the Government was robbed annually, which ran into two or three thousand dollars, by a distillery of this sort, there was a large waste of water. One such still working six hours or so, would use about 3,000 gallons of water. Mr. Grimmit therefore asked his Worship to take a very serious view of the case.

With Wong was charged another man, Wong Fat, aged 61, but he pleaded not guilty. Mr. Grimmit accepted the plea, saying the man was employed there as a caretaker, and he was discharged.

BOATWOMEN CHARGED

Sub-Inspector H. G. Hallam charged two boatwomen, Wong Luk and Wong Mui, before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday afternoon with unlawful possession each of 9 sacks of coal, reasonably suspected to have been stolen, on December 3 on sampan No. 2672W.

Pleading not guilty, Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho, who appeared on behalf of defendants, said that Section 24 of the 1932 Summary Offences Ordinance, under which defendants were charged, applied only to street offences and did not include offences in houses. He quoted authority to support his contention, and submitted that the sampan could be called the permanent abode of the defendants, considering the custom of the floating population.

The case was adjourned till tomorrow at 3.30 p.m. to enable the Magistrate to decide on the admissibility of the authority submitted.

LOCAL ESTATE

Ip Kwok, late of No. 20 Kam Wah Street, ground floor, left local estate to the value of \$5,700. A petition by Ip Wing On, of the same address, for grant of probate of the will of the deceased has been granted by the Supreme Court.

NO WITHDRAWAL ALLOWED

An application to drop proceedings in a fraud case was refused by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Cheng Ping-kwan aged 24, broker, appeared on remand before His Worship on a charge of obtaining money from Mr. R. A. da Silva, manager of the Colonial Trading Company, of the Bank of East Asia Building, by means of a forged order form, and after Detective-Sergeant D. Davies had stated that the complainant had heard from Portugal and knew he did not stand to lose much, Mr. da Silva said he would like to drop proceedings.

His Worship: "No. Proceedings have been brought and must be proceeded with. This is not a private matter. A crime must be prosecuted."

Tuesday, December 14, was fixed for hearing, bail in \$200 being allowed.

SUMMARY COURT CLAIM

The case of the Li Sam-Kei Firm (judgment creditors) versus The West South Construction Company and Lam Sang and Ngum Hong, managing partners (judgment debtors), and Fong Wai (garnishee), of No. 25, Ho Shing Street, was mentioned before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, in the Summary Court yesterday.

It will be recalled that judgment was given on October 4, 1937 against The West South Construction Company and Lam Sang and Ngum Hong in the sum of \$517.16 with costs.

Fong Wai Sun was indebted to defendants in the sum of \$300, or thereabouts, and yesterday judgment was delivered against him, with costs, to the extent of \$300, and stay of execution until January 20, 1938.

Ngo Sham, witness for the garnishee, was fined \$100 or six weeks in default for wilful perjury.

RECEPTION FOR MEDICALS

The Hong Kong Chinese Medical Association is holding a reception and tea in honour of Dr. Li Ting An, Health Commissioner of Shanghai, Dr. C. S. Mei, Superintendent of the Emergency Hospital at Soochow, and Dr. Edwin Kam, Chief Surgeon of the Emergency Hospital at Soochow, at the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building to-morrow at 5.45 p.m.

HEALTH RETURNS

Four cases of dysentery and one each of small-pox, diphtheria and enteric fever were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended at midnight on Tuesday.

POSSESSION OF FORGED BANK NOTES

Accused Sent
To Prison

Three separate charges of possession of forged banknotes and with knowing them to be forged were preferred against Wong Ching-po, a young Chinese, at the Central Magistracy yesterday. The charges were in respect of two \$10 notes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, one Hong Kong Government \$1 note and one \$1 note of the Kwangtung Provincial Bank.

Accused was arrested on November 25 at the Tai Lo Sin boarding house, and the notes were found in a wallet on his person. He also had a good \$1 Hong Kong note, which was wrapped up in a piece of paper and distinguished from the forgeries.

Wong stated in the witness box that a friend in the country, named Ho, had given him the money with which to purchase an overcoat for him in Hong Kong.

Mr. R. Edwards, who heard the case, found defendant guilty on all counts. Detective-Inspector O'Donovan, for the police, asked that a serious view be taken of the case, as many forged \$1 notes had come into the possession of the Post Office and the Treasury, and he asked for a heavy penalty and recommended defendant for banishment.

Wong was sentenced to four months imprisonment with hard labour on each count, the sentences to run concurrently. He will also be banished after the term.

RUSSIAN ACCUSED

Further Evidence Heard

The case in which a 31-year old Russian, Nicolai Pavlovich, is charged with forging and uttering a \$5 banknote of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, was continued at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest.

Hui Sik-yu, principal witness for the Crown, resumed his evidence. She had previously stated, in the box that defendant, on occasions subsequent to their first meeting at her barber shop at No. 162 Johnston Road on October 27, had offered to sell her forged \$100 notes at \$50 each. He was also said to have proposed marriage and to have told witness that if she married him he would show her how to make banknotes.

She stated yesterday that defendant went to her flat at No. 90 Jaffe Road on November 4 with a black bag containing paraphernalia with which he proceeded to show her how to make notes. After a period, he effected a duplication of a \$5 note, which was damp and which he asked her to iron. He also asked her for one note each of \$100, \$50 and \$10 for further experiments in order to convince her.

At the conclusion of her evidence, the case was adjourned for hearing on December 20 at 2.45 p.m.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, is conducting the case for the Crown, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin.

POLICE REPORTS

Mrs. V. John, of Kennedy Road, has made a report to the police of the loss of a wrist watch valued at \$40. An unknown Chinese called at her residence, allegedly to inspect the electric lights, and he is suspected of the theft.

Mr. I. B. Trevor, of the Kowloon-Canton Railway reported to the police that 48 drums of oil valued at \$310 have been stolen from the railway depot at Hunghom.

DOG SUMMONSES

Commodore E.B.C. Dicken was fined \$10 by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday for allowing his black and brown dog abroad unmuzzled on November 22.

On a similar summons H.C. Margrett, of No. 295, The Peak, was fined \$5.

OFFICERS LEAVING

The following Naval officers are leaving by the Dilwara to-day. Lt.-Comdr. Pares, Lt. Davey, Lt. Chevenix Trench, Mr. Brister and Mr. Allen.

MURDER CASE HEARING

Arsenic Poisoning
Alleged

Further evidence was given in the case in which Li Fuk-yue was charged with the alleged murder of a woman, Tang Kam, by having administered poison in her food, before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday.

Three persons died as a result of the poison.

Yesterday Yau Chow-sheung, hawker, was called to give evidence regarding a stone which was left in his stall and was claimed by accused. He stated that he was doing business at the Wah Yan College on August 31. Accused placed a packet on the ground near his stall and went away. A short while later witness said he tore open the packet and found a red stone. An onlooker said something, and as witness was about to throw it away accused rushed up and took the packet away claiming that it was his property, and then left the stall.

A 14-year-old girl, The King-fung, stated accused had a quarrel with Tang Kam and was asked to refrain from entering the premises. A month later accused again visited her mother and stayed for the evening meal.

The hearing was adjourned. Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, is conducting the prosecution.

MUI TSAI CHARGE

Three charges in connection with an unregistered mul-tal, were preferred against Yu Chan, 36, married woman, when she appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday. The charges were (a) keeping an unregistered mul-tal at No. 122 Queen's Road East, first floor, on December 6, (b) ill-treating her and (c) common assault. The girl in question was Kong Chuen, aged 17.

Mr. W. M. Brown appeared for the defence and pleaded not guilty and the case was remanded to Monday next for hearing.

In another case Tseng Ching Kam, 37, married woman, residing at No. 156 Jaffe Road, third floor, was fined \$50 for keeping an unregistered mul-tal.

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FAMILY RECIPES

Toad In The Hole

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One of the homely dishes of the British kitchen, it has made a triumphal progress to the restaurant, and in these times of labour-saving days it appears without apology as the main dish in a fashionable if unconventional luncheon menu.

School and college midday dinner caterers encourage the "toad," it is popular, economical and satisfying, though hungry students have been known to make protest against the serving of a too generous allowance of "hole" in proportion to that of "toad."

Best of all is its infinite variety. The toad within may be flesh, fish, fowl, game, vegetable, fruit, in fact almost any kind of foodstuff, rich or plain, that lends itself to cooking in a batter after the style of the Yorkshire pudding, regional in name but national in its popularity.

STEAK AND KIDNEY

This recipe is particularly interesting as it is the one from which toads in the hole were prepared in Queen Victoria's kitchens. Cut up 1 lb. tender steak and 1 lb. kidney into rather thick collops about three inches in diameter. Season with pepper and salt. Fry them over a sharp fire, merely to brown them without their being cooked through. Place neatly in a buttered pie-dish.

Here is the secret of success in the making of good toad in the hole. Detach the brown glaze from the bottom of the pan in which the meat was browned, with a very little gravy or water, and a little catsup, and pour over the collops in the dish.

Now pour over the batter, which has been standing for 1 hour. The batter is made from 4 tablespoonfuls flour, 2 large or 3 small eggs, 1 pint milk and a good pinch of salt. It should be given a good final beating before using.

Bake in a fairly hot oven for about one to one and a quarter hours. During the second half of this period, the heat should be reduced if necessary.

"TOAD" SPECIAL

First make a batter as follows: 2 eggs, 5oz. flour, pinch salt, tablespoonful water and sufficient milk

MID-WEEK MEALS

As the family are working—at business, or school—substantial meals are needed.

Nourishing soup makes a good start for a meal. Serve this potato soup at dinner time.

Peel four large potatoes and two carrots, shred them finely and fry with a chopped onion. Turn into a saucepan with 1½ pints water and simmer for one hour, then add a teacupful of milk and season to taste.

CHEESE MACARONI PIE

This is a good mid-week supper dish.

Butter a pie dish, sprinkle it with grated cheese, then arrange alternate layers of sliced cooked potatoes and cooked macaroni. Sprinkle well with grated cheese, finish with a layer of potatoes, then more cheese.

Bake in a moderate oven until browned, usually half an hour.

STUFFED AND BAKED

Fresh haddock can be made very tasty. Try it this way.

Cut the tail and fins off the haddock and scrape the skin upwards from the tail. Make a slit with a knife down the thick part of the haddock, then stuff it with the following:

Mix together a teacupful of bread-crumbs, a teaspoonful of chopped parsley and half a teaspoonful of mixed herbs; salt and pepper.

Add a small grated onion, a tablespoonful of melted margarine, and the yolk of an egg. Sew the haddock up and place in a greased baking tin. Bake for half an hour, basting frequently. Serve with parsley sauce and slices of lemon.

to make a thick creamy consistency. Allow this to stand one hour or longer.

In well-greased flat fireproof dish lay tiny rolls of thinly-cut veal, stuffed with breadcrumb, parsley, milk and seasoning and a quarter slice of a rasher of bacon.

Four the batter over the neatly-arranged rolls, and cook half to three-quarter hour in a moderate to hot oven. Ornament the top, when nearly cooked, with cooked mushrooms or uncooked slices of tomato. This is a good way of using up remains of a joint.

LIGHT SWEETS

How disappointing for the hostess when the party sweets become left-overs and trifles and creams remain half eaten on the plates.

This sometimes happens because the sweets are too rich.

Sweets for the party must be ornamental and attractive, but they need not all be rich. Many guests will prefer something simpler.

Now a cornflour mould can be dressed up in numerous ways. Shape, colour and flavour may vary. Lemon, chocolate, coffee, vanilla, pineapple, and many others are real party flavours.

CORN-FLLOUR MOULD

To start with a simple blanch-mange. Ingredients: 2 pints milk, 3oz. patent cornflour, 2oz. sugar, a thin strip of lemon rind, or a few drops of vanilla essence, and a pinch of salt.

Simmer the lemon rind with the milk, keeping a tablespoonful of the cold milk for blending the cold milk for, blending the cornflour to a smooth paste. Bring the milk to the boil, remove the lemon rind, then pour the boiling milk over the blended cornflour. Return to the pan, then boil and stir for eight minutes. Pour into wetted moulds, or one large fancy mould, and leave to set.

A surprising number of light sweets can be made with a packet of jelly. Here is a simple one which is delicious. Drain the juice from a tin of raspberries. Make up a raspberry jelly in the usual way, using as much raspberry syrup as there is instead of part of the water. Put in a large bowl and leave until it begins to set. Then add the unbeaten white of an egg and whisk with an egg whisk until light and frothy and beginning to set. Arrange in a glass bowl, top with a thin layer of whipped cream, and put the raspberries on top. This is also good without the cream.

FRUIT SALAD

To make a delicious fruit salad set in jelly, take a small quantity of prepared fruit salad either fresh or tinned. Wash and slice large fruits like peaches, sprinkle with sugar, and pour over a little maraschino or sherry. Leave for an hour or so, then drain off the juice, and use it in making up a jelly of any desired flavour. Let the jelly get cold and just on the point of setting, then pour some into a mould;

and turn it round and round until the sides and bottom are coated. Then arrange the fruit in layer, adding jelly between each. A little stiffly whipped cream can be put on each layer of fruit if liked. Or thin slices of sponge cake, put together with jam and moistened with sherry, can be used instead of, or as well as, the cream.

WITH CUSTARD

Jelly and custard combined together make a delicious sweet. Drain the juice from a small tin of mandarin oranges, make up to half a pint with water, make very hot, and dissolve a pint tangerine jelly square in it. Let it get cold and on the point of setting. Have ready half a pint of custard, also cold and just setting. Max together carefully but thoroughly and whisk for a few minutes. Turn into a mould and leave to set or arrange in a glass dish. Decorate with the slices of tangerine. Or try raspberry jelly with with the custard, putting at the bottom of the dish some sliced sponge fingers sandwiched with raspberry jam and sprinkled with a little sherry. Jelly cream is a delightful sweet which takes little time to prepare. Make a pint jelly in the usual way and leave to get quite cold. Whip a cupful of cream and combine the jelly with it carefully. When well mixed put in a wet mould to set.

APRICOTS AND NUTS

Tinned apricots are used with nuts and jelly to make a fruit and nut mould. Rub some stewed or tinned apricots through a sieve to make a pulp. Put into a saucepan with a lemon or apricot jelly square cut into pieces. Dissolve over a low heat, then add a couple of tablespoonfuls of browned almonds cut into thin strips. Remove from the heat and leave to get cold, stirring occasionally. Put into a wet mould to set, and service with a little cream.

For pears in jelly, stew some quartered pears until soft with sugar and a little lemon juice. Colour pink with cochineal. Drain and put the pears in a dish. Make a wine jelly square, adding the pears, and let it set. Then turn on to a wet slab and with a wet knife, chop it up. Arrange on the pears and put dabs of whipped cream and small pieces of angelica or glacé cherries on each mound of cream.

DICED POTATOES

This is an excellent way of serving potatoes. They can be used this way with chops, steaks or other meat dishes, or will form a supper dish or vegetarian luncheon dish with grated cheese or eggs. To every half-pound of potatoes use half a pound of tomatoes (or their equivalent in tinned tomatoes), half a pound of onions, and a quarter of a pound of bacon. If the bacon is not wanted, use more butter. Chop the onion roughly and fry in a little butter until turning brown. Add the chopped bacon and cook it until crisping, when the chopped tomatoes and diced potatoes should be added. Cover the saucepan and cook as slowly as possible until the potatoes are quite cooked, adding just a little water if necessary. Season with pepper, salt, and a little cayenne and mace. Use as required.

Polished wood candlesticks that are in constant use often get badly greased. They may be safely cleaned by first standing them in gentle heat (the rack on top of the range is excellent); then when the spots have melted rub round with soft paper, and finish with a polish of furniture cream.

SULTANA BREAD

Put a pound of flour and half a teaspoonful of salt into a bowl. Rub in two ounces of lard, then add three ounces of sugar and four ounces of sultanas. Beat an egg with a quarter of a pint of milk, and add half a teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda and a good teaspoonful of baking powder. Mix at once with the dry ingredients. Have ready a loaf tin lined with greased paper, pour the mixture in and bake for about an hour and a quarter. Have the oven hot at first, then gradually reduce the heat. Shortly before the loaf is done sprinkle it with coarse sugar. Cut into slices and butter.

RICE SOUP

When neither meat nor vegetable stock is available, the following is an appetising and inexpensive soup. Mince finely half a pound of lean shin or other part of beef. Cover with two pints of cold water, add a chopped onion, and simmer gently for a couple of hours. Press through a sieve until only the dry fibres of the meat are left. Add two tablespoonfuls of washed rice, salt, pepper, a pinch each of cayenne and mace, and simmer for half an hour, or until the rice is soft. Add a dash of piquant sauce, and serve.



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Spanish Parties Agree To Volunteer Withdrawal

London, Dec. 7.

The Chairman's Sub-Committee of the International Non-Intervention Committee met to-day to consider replies from the two parties in Spain to the Committee's draft resolution of November 4. The Committee agreed that both these replies constitute acceptance in principle of the Committee's plan.

The Committee proceeded to detailed discussion of the documents prepared by technical advisers for the execution of plan in its various rights.

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COMMISSIONS TO BE SENT

London, Dec. 7.

A "communiqué" states that the Non-Intervention Sub-Committee preliminarily has considered the replies of the two parties in Spain regarding the withdrawal of volunteers. The committee recognised that the replies were of such a nature that it would be possible to continue its task.

The sub-committee also considered methods of constituting the Commissions which are to be sent to Spain to organise the withdrawal of the volunteers.

The Chairman's sub-committee will have a meeting on Thursday and the Technical sub-committee will meet on December 8 and 10.

M. Leon Malsky, the Soviet representative, speaking at the meeting of the Non-Intervention Committee strongly criticised General Franco's reply to the committee's suggestion for the withdrawal of volunteers.

POCKET GENERAL

After describing the Spanish Government's reply as satisfactory, M. Malsky said that General Franco's reply was "vague, not

clear and ambiguous, while his reasoning is not only irrelevant but equally insolent, coming from the mouth of a pocket General, unable, without foreign aid to stand on his own feet."

M. Malsky, however, strongly urged proceeding with the preparatory work in the hope that General Franco will subsequently give the committee such an interpretation to his reply that will enable the committee to effect a real withdrawal of volunteers.

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BLOCKADE QUESTION

London, Dec. 7.

A note has been received from the Spanish Insurgent authorities regarding the declaration recently made by radio from Cadiz on the blockade of the coasts of Government Spain.

In reply to this note, the British Ambassador at Hendaye has been instructed to remind General Franco that belligerent rights have not been recognised in the present conflict and that, therefore, the British Government cannot recognise any right to declare a blockade of this kind.

British shipping, it is stated, will continue to be protected as heretofore against interference when trading with Spanish ports.

MINES FORBIDDEN

A suggestion had been made that approaches to ports of Government Spain would be mined, and in this connexion the attention of the Insurgent Authorities is called to the Hague Convention forbidding the laying of mines off coasts and ports of an enemy with the sole object of intercepting commercial navigation.

NO PEACE PLANS YET

Japanese Spokesman's Statement

Tokyo, Dec. 8.

Questioned about peace prospects at the daily Press conference to-day, a spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office declared that Japan's peace plans had not yet been formulated. When China seeks peace then Japan will begin to consider peace terms.

The spokesman declared that there was no truth that Sir Robert Craigie had approached the Foreign Office to offer mediation though he thought that Britain may be active to get China to come to direct negotiations with Japan, and added that Germany, Italy, the United States of America and countries which also have large interests in the Far East, may be similarly active.

"We are just waiting to hear when there will be good results from such activities. It is not necessary for Japan to know anything else beforehand."

The spokesman thought that Japan still adhered to the "no territorial designs" policy but any change in the Chinese situation might necessitate a change in Japan's desires.

Meanwhile he saw no signs of China changing her anti-Japanese policy.

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The suggested action, therefore, it is pointed out, would be a breach of international law even if, as is not the case, belligerent rights had been granted.

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TERRITORIAL ARMY ADMINISTRATION

Committee Of Inquiry Appointed

London, Dec. 7.

The personnel of the Committee to enquire into the general administration of the Territorial Army, the appointment of which was forecast by the War Secretary a fortnight ago when he outlined measures to be taken to recognise the full status of the Territorials as an integral part of the defence system, was announced in the House of Commons to-day.

The Under-Secretary for War, Lord Strathcona, will be Chairman, and other members are Major-General Sir John Brown, recently appointed Deputy Director General of the Territorial Army, Colonel Viscount Cobham, who is Vice-Chairman of the Council of Territorial Army Associations, Colonel Sir Robert Johnson, Deputy Master and Controller of the Royal Mint and Mr. J. R. Wade of the War Office.

The inquiry is intended to be comprehensive, covering organisation and finances of county Associations and simplification of relations between the War Office and associations on the one hand and associations and units on the other.

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VISCOUNT ISHII IN LONDON

Will See Mr. Eden Very Soon

London, Dec. 7.

Viscount Ishii, who is paying an unofficial visit to Europe from Japan, reached London to-day and is spending to-morrow seeing prominent members of the Japanese colony.

AIR-RAID PRECAUTIONS BILL

New Clause Provides For Evacuation Of Population

London, Dec. 7.

The Government Air Raid Precautions Bill, as amended in committee, was considered on a report stage in Commons, and the Home Secretary moved in accordance with the undertaking he gave during the committee stage the new clause specifically placing upon local authorities the duty to provide necessary information to enable the Government to prepare plans "for any necessary transference of civil population in the event of hostile attack from the air."

The desirability of preparing schemes for the evacuation of population from large towns, particularly children, had been stressed by a number of members on both sides of the House in committee, and the new clause was generally welcomed.

The Home Secretary, replying to the debate, said the essence of the problem of evacuation was the magnitude of it. The Government regarded it as one of the most important connected with air raid precautions, and though they realised its difficulties they would do their best to surmount them. He felt that they would be in a better position to gauge them and come to wise conclusions when they had received proposals of local authorities. The new clause was agreed to.

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To-day he conversed with Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, Japanese Ambassador to London.

Viscount Ishii intends to make an early call on Mr. Anthony Eden, Britain's Foreign Secretary.

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"High, Wide and Handsome"
ORIENTAL:—
"Virgins of Bali"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"High, Wide and Handsome"
STAR:—
"Two In A Crowd"
MAJESTIC:—
"Dodsworth"

Coming

KING'S:—
"The Prisoner Of Zenda"
QUEEN'S:—
"100 Men And A Girl"
ORIENTAL:—
"The Great O'Malley"

ALHAMBRA:—
"100 Men And A Girl"
STAR:—
"Your Uncle Dudley"
MAJESTIC:—
"The 13th Chair"

HIGH, WIDE AND HANDSOME

A lavish musical drama taken from the pages of one of the most stirring periods in American history is "High, Wide and Handsome," starring Irene Dunne, which is showing at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres to-day. The story of courageous pioneering during the early oil boom days of Pennsylvania, is set to as lifting a musical score as ever composed for the screen.

Irene Dunne, in the role of a carnival songstress, gives to the world the latest melodies of Oscar Hammerstein II and Jerome Kern, including that rollicking title song every one is already humming, "High, Wide and Handsome," a couple of romantic melodies striking for their simplicity, "Can I Forget You," "The Things I Want," and a song reminiscent of robust bygone days, "Allegheny AI." "The Folks Who Live on the Hill" is another of the quaint and appealing light-operative airs destined to last a long time.

The oil boom is the clue for the railroad magnates to begin their persecution. When the farmers retaliate by beginning a pipeline of their own to the refinery, they are set upon by gangsters led by Charles Bickford who has an old grievance against Scott on account of Irene. As fast as the pipe is laid, the railroad hirelings tear it up. Bitter are the fights that are waged. To add to his troubles Scott falls out with his wife and she runs away with a carnival.

M-O-M are meditating a remake of "Journey's End" with Montgomery as Stanhope. Meanwhile "Paris Adventure" is being prepared for Montgomery.

Production on "Mad about Music" is being held up by an argument between Universal and Deanna Durbin's management, who want more money for Deanna.

PANTOMIME IN WEST END

"Beauty And The Beast"

There must have been rumours that the West End of London would be without a pantomime this year.

It can now be stated definitely that the traditional Christmas entertainment will again hold the boards at the Lyceum.

It will be the 28th pantomime at that theatre. The title is "Beauty and the Beast," which has not been seen in London for some years.

Another West End pantomime will be "Cinderella," which is to be presented for special matinees by the children of the Actors' Orphanage, of which Mr. Noel Coward is the president.

Rehearsals have already begun, and the pantomime will have a fortnight's run in the Actors' Orphanage Theatre at Langley, Bucks, before coming to London. The London theatre at which it will be presented has not yet been chosen.

DEATH OF MR. G. A. BEST

Mr. G. A. Best, F.R.H.S., formerly Assistant Curator of Gardens, Straits Settlements, died in England recently following a street accident in which he was gravely injured by a motor cycle.

Mr. Best, who was only 42 received his horticultural training at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. He joined the Gardens Department, S.S., in February, 1921 and served at Singapore and Penang.

He was an active and vigilant officer who took a keen interest in the horticultural work of the Department, and he and his wife, who died last year, formed many friendships in the Colony.

Latterly he suffered considerably from an affliction of his sight and eventually was obliged to leave the country on retirement, in February.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

THURSDAY, DEC. 9.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Joseph Bramah died, 1814. Extra Cornell died, 1874.

Cinemas.—(See Page 5). Dances.—Reel Class for Children, at Hong Kong Union Church Hall, 5:30 p.m.

Entertainments.—A. D. C. "Outward Bound," at China Fleet Club Theatre, 8:15 p.m.

Malls.—(See Page 16). Meetings.—Victoria Chess Club, at Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.; St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 3 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Christ Church Ladies' Guild Sewing Party at 3 Duke Street, 10 a.m.; Claims against the Estate of Chong Yam-mow (or Young Yen-mow) due; Unwilling of Statue of Late Mr. Fung Ping-shan, by H.E. the Governor at Aberdeen Industrial School, 3:30 p.m., followed by Annual Prize-Giving; Distribution of Prizes at La Salle College, 4:30 p.m.; Colony "Black Out" from 8 p.m.-10 p.m.

Moon.—XI Moon, 7th Day. Rehearsals.—"The Arcadians," at Cathedral Hall, 5:30 p.m.

Social.—Cheero Club Contract Bridge, 8 p.m.

Sports.—(See Page 10). Sunrise.—5:51 a.m. Sunset.—5:39 p.m.

Tides.—High at 14:45; Low at 07:42 and 17:44.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10.

Cinemas.—(See Page 5). Malls.—(See Page 16). Moon.—XI Moon, 8th Day.

Sports.—(See Page 10). Sunrise.—6:50 a.m. Sunset.—5:39 p.m.

Tides.—High at 14:09 and 23:40. Low at 07:02 and 17:01.

Alice Faye, reported on the verge of a breakdown, will after all complete "Sally, Irene and Mary" before going on a holiday to Honolulu with husband Tony Martin. She recently collapsed on the set of "Your Sweetheart," Universal's new title for "A Young Man's Fancy."

PRIEST V. PRESS

Mayfair Catholics love to flock to the exclusive R. C. Church in Farm Street, W., where from his pulpit buck-toothed Father Francis Woodcock frequently airs himself on subjects ranging from Birth Control to Bernard Shaw.

Recently Father Woodcock thought it high time to advocate temporary censorship of the British Press lest too-critical newspapers provoke dictators into action. Particularly he slashed out at the "Evening Standard's" impish Cartoonist David Low for using his genius in drawing "Contemptuous caricatures" of Hitler and Mussolini.

Good Catholics considered it horrible a few days ago when Cartoonist Low presented Father Woodcock as a scrawny, goose-stepping priest with arm upraised in the Fascist salute. Underneath was the caption:

"Those who heard Father Woodcock bawl us out last Sunday for disrespect to dictators will be relieved to hear that he is being offered the post of diplomatic advisor to Low. It is hoped that he will pose personally for all cartoons of Mussolini, thus ensuring calmer international relations."

Least perturbed of all was shrewd Father Woodcock, who wrote to his Socialist opponent acknowledging his appointment (presumably unpaid and counselling Low to choose carefully the occasions when he went "dictator-baiting."

Declared the reverend advisor: "It is not diplomatic or even

patriotic to start tar-and-feathering the Duce or Fuehrer just at moments when our Government are engaged in delicate negotiations to gain their co-operation for world peace. Dictators are touchy and temperamental. Calm decision are less likely to be taken in co-operation with England's diplomats if they are still fuming over a cartoon which failed in (perhaps) your purpose of amusing them."

"Don't aim at becoming number one enemy to European peace."

At week's end Low retaliated by devoting a sizeable portion of Low's Topical Budget to a comic strip entitled "Hit and Muss." The major part was concealed by a large label bearing the legend, "Censored by Father Woodcock, Low's Diplomatic Adviser."

Peering round the bottom of the page was a worried looking Low, whose remark, "I'm afraid this boy Woodcock won't do," seemed to herald the dismissal of his new assistant.

Low then found an unexpected ally in "News-Chronicle" ace commentator A. J. Cummings, who, lecturing on "The Press in the Modern World," dubbed rather Woodcock "a rather loquacious priest of the Roman Catholic Church," and reminded him that only a free Press enabled British Catholics to learn of the persecution of their brethren in totalitarian countries.

Nether Nazi nor Fascist, but a democrat untainted by red, is Dublin-born Francis Woodcock (69). A Jesuit for 48 years he has been a priest for 34, and is a product of Beaumont College. (News Review).

SPANISH REPLIES EXAMINED

London, Dec. 7.

The Non-Intervention Committee reassembled this afternoon after a brief adjournment to continue the examination of the replies from the two Spanish parties, to the British proposal regarding the withdrawal of volunteers.

Reports prepared by the technical sub-committee were also submitted to the Committee for examination. It is stated that the Spanish replies are regarded as "positive, generally speaking," by the delegates of the Powers represented on the Non-Intervention Committee.

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JAPANESE ENTER?

London, Dec. 7.

Reports received here from Shanghai, which are not confirmed, state that the Japanese army entered Nanking shortly before midnight, Shanghai time.

After an intensive bombardment by the Japanese artillery and bombing by the air force, which made a breach in the city wall, the Japanese infantry stormed the Chinese positions encountering but feeble resistance since the greater part of the Chinese troops had left Nanking on Monday night.

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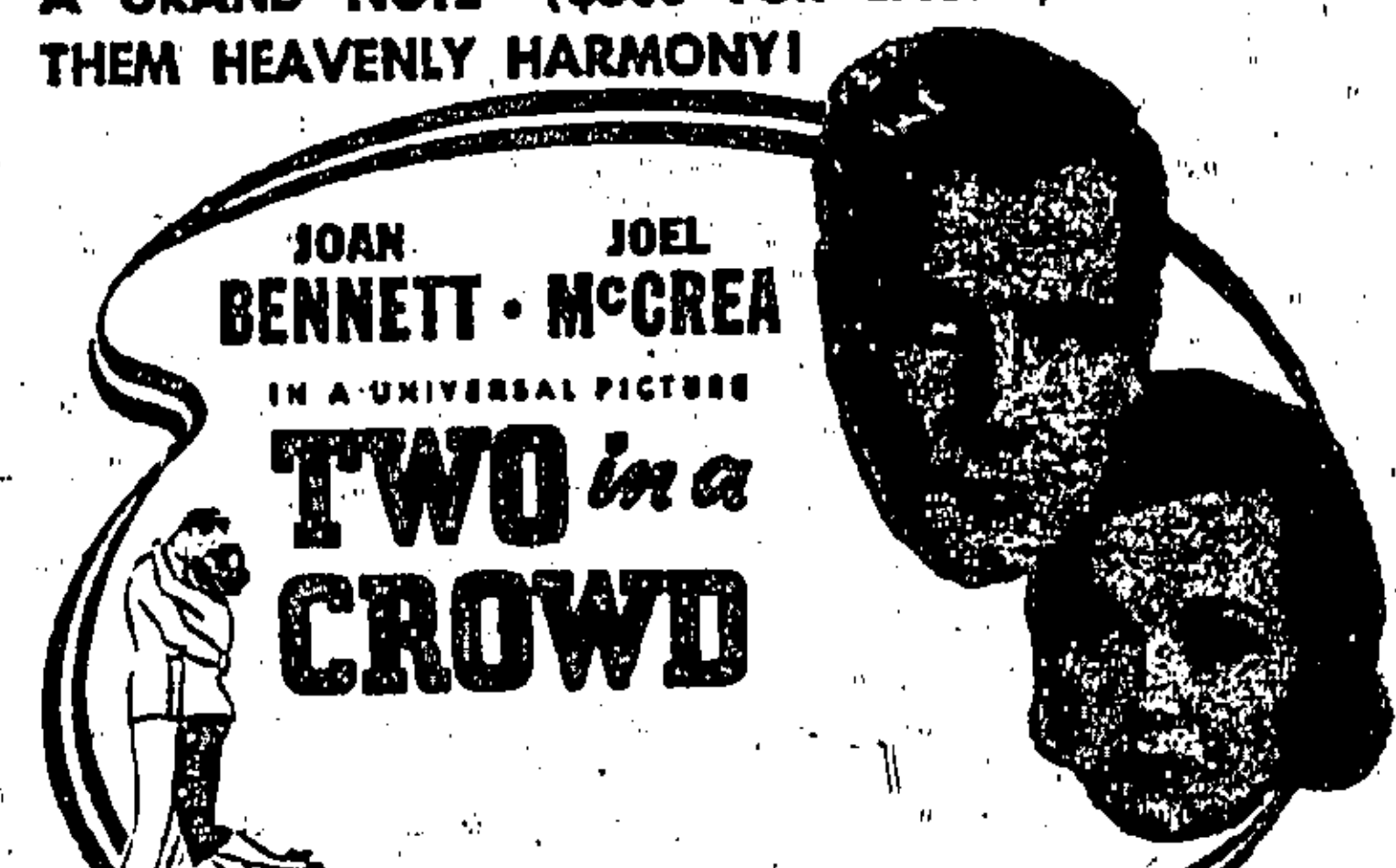
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LEWIS STONE in
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Paramount have bought a Finnish play called "Hilda, Daughter of Parliament," at present running in Finland, France, Denmark and Prague. It's a non-musical, but Irene Dunne is wanted for the title role.

The Earl of Brecknock, of Westbourne House, Westbourne-street, Paddington, was fined 30s, his licence being endorsed, at Marlborough-street Police-court recently, for exceeding the 20 m.p.h. speed limit in Hyde Park.

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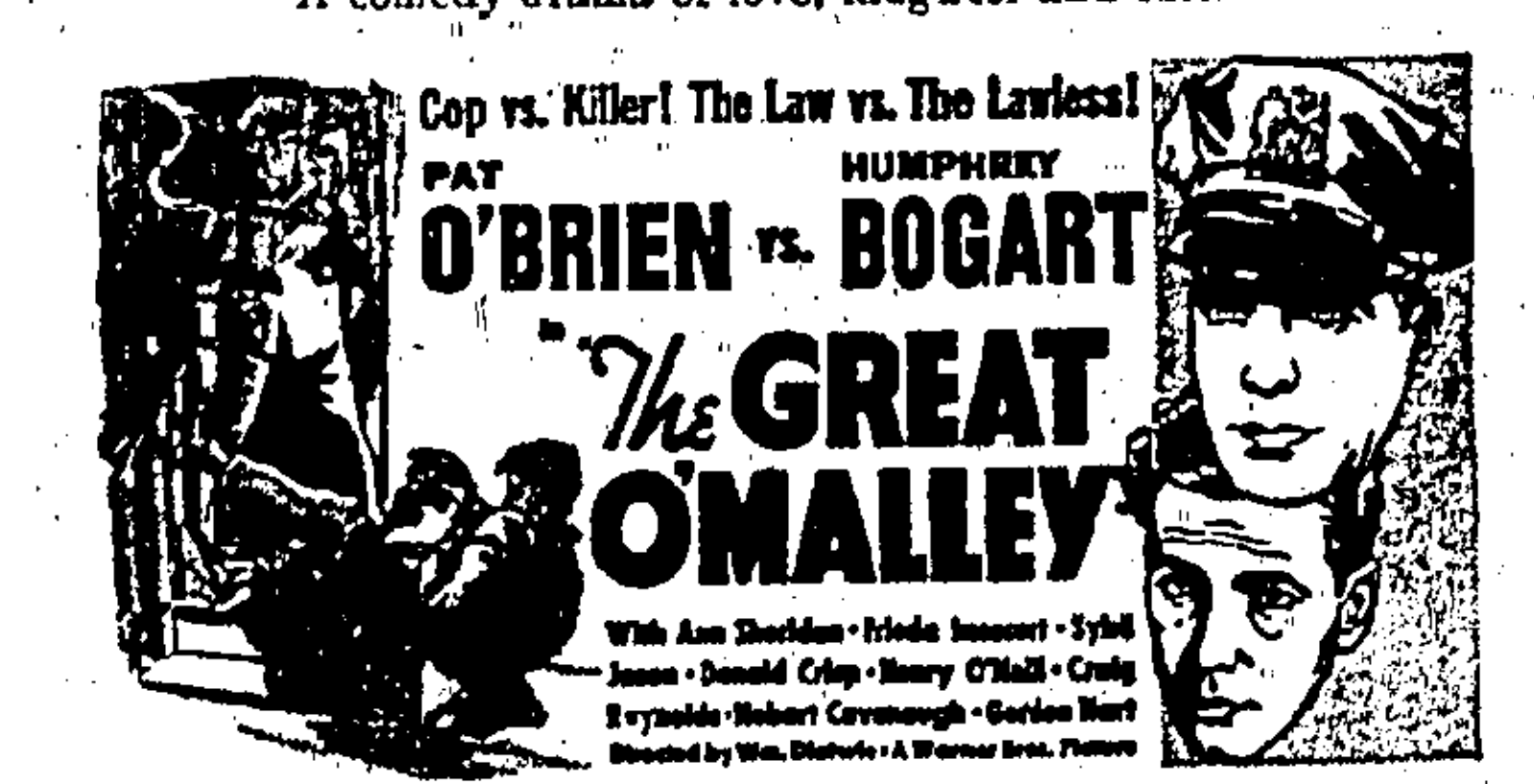
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Rose Stradner, the Viennese actress playing opposite Edward G. Robinson in "The Last Gangster," has had her name changed back to Rose Stradner.

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One week he bought an overcoat and found he had no money left for flowers. Shortly after midnight a policeman saw him coming out of a local nursery with a bunch of dahillias.

He told the policeman, it was alleged at Bournemouth police-court, "I am taking them for my young lady. I do not trouble if I get six months."

Moon was fined 10s. for theft.

Hal Wallis of Warners' has been given the annual award of the Societe de Paris for the greatest contribution to French culture in the United States, for his supervision of "The Life of Emile Zola."

Darryl Zanuck is trying to borrow Robert Donat for the leading part in Robert Louis Stevenson's "Kidnapped."



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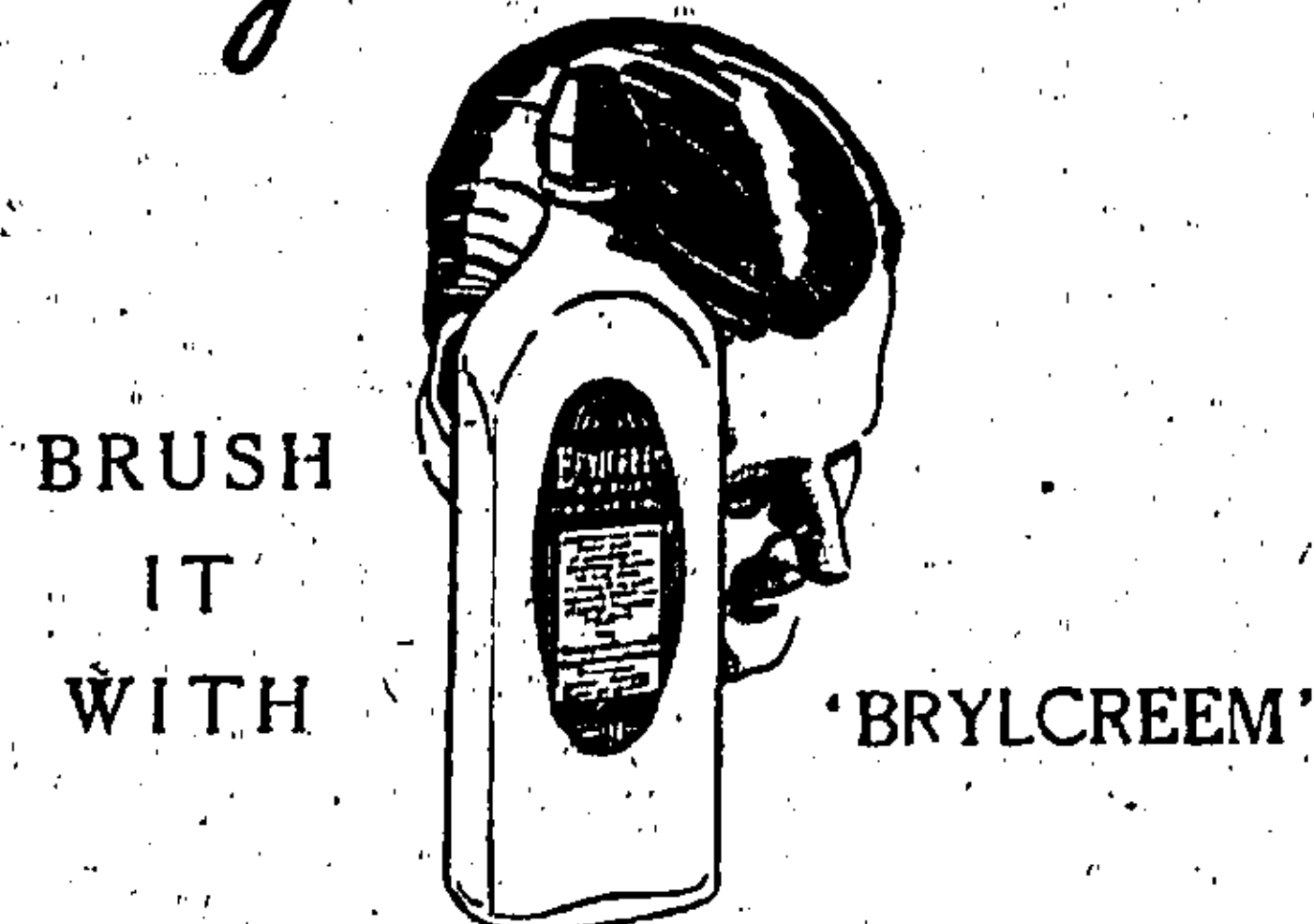
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NANKING NEARING ZERO HOUR

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JAPANESE AT GATES OF CAPITAL

Hankow, December 8.
Nanking is rapidly nearing zero hour, according to a telephone message this morning. The Japanese are reported to have reached Pukow, across the river, and to have consolidated their positions at the gates of the capital. The garrison commander of Nanking has ordered the residential district around the Sun Yat-sen National Park, outside the walls, to be burned down, in order to be able to observe Japanese movements.

Besides the magnificent Sun Yat-sen Mausoleum, this district comprises the National Stadium, the open air Auditorium and the Presidential Palace, which was, however, not occupied since its erection. The private house of President Lin Sen is also situated there, at the slopes of Purple Mountain, and three orphanages dedicated by Madame Chiang to the memory of the 72 Heroes, and the Shanghai Dead.—Transocean.

Nanking, Dec. 8.
With the capital about to fall into alien hands for the first time in its long history, the Chinese defenders have begun systematic destruction of ammunition dumps, gasoline depots, aeroplane hangars and workshops.

All aeroplanes which were damaged and could not be repaired in time, have been also destroyed, but all aircraft in good condition left Nanking yesterday morning for a base inland.

The Chinese military authorities have ordered the burning of suburbs outside the south-west gates, with a view to depriving the Japanese of cover, but have announced that they have no intention of destroying property inside the city, except possibly for structures such as bridges and water towers, which may be useful to the Japanese forces.

LOOTERS EXECUTED
Gunfire was heard last night from Tangshan, near Chuyuns, where three Japanese guns are reported to have been in action.

Meanwhile the Chinese authorities are taking firm measures to suppress looting, and the bodies of six looters executed yesterday are on exhibition at the railway station.

Hundreds of other would-be looters have been arrested outside the city area.

GUNS REMOVED
The police have requested the populace to enter or leave the city and declare that the remaining gates in the wall will shortly be closed in order to control the movements of the people.

After a military conference yesterday, General Tang Seng-chih, commander of the Nanking garrison, ordered all troops to leave the safety zone, which for the first time is now flying distinctive flags.

The order was promptly obeyed, and anti-aircraft guns at Wutashan, near the United States Embassy, were quickly removed.

Other military stores are still being taken out of the zone.

SAFETY ZONE PACKED
A tour by Reuters' correspondent of the zone, into which refugees of every description are flocking and which the international committee has appealed to the Japanese to isolate from warlike operations, revealed that the area is crammed with people, with thousands still pouring in.

Thoroughfares leading to the zone are almost impassable, as a continual stream of humanity flows in in unending waves.

Everywhere in the zone, refugees are sitting in the bitter cold on their humble possessions, and are patiently awaiting provision of accommodation.—Reuters.

REVISION OF POLICY
Tokyo, Dec. 8.
The "Yomiuri Shimbun," influential Tokyo daily, predicts "sweeping revisions" of Japanese policy in the Chinese conflict following the occupation of Nanking. The newspaper regards the anticipated fall of the Chinese capital as likely to mark a turning point in the hostilities, and forecasts revisions both in Japan's military programme and political actions at home concerning the conflicts.—Reuters.

BRITISH SAILINGS CANCELLED
Nanking, Dec. 8.
Two Chinese soldiers in a sampan attempted to hold up a tug belonging to Butterfield and Swire which was en route to the wharf from the Jardine, Matheson bulk when its engine failed.

The soldiers fired several shots but none of the British passengers on the tug, of whom lay flat on the deck during the firing, was injured.

All British sailings for up-river have been cancelled as a result of the bombing of Wuhu, which was subjected to further air raids yesterday.—Reuters.

BOOM STILL UNBREACHED

Shanghai, Dec. 8.
The fact that the Kiangyin boom is still unbreached by the Japanese was admitted by the Japanese Navy spokesman in replying to questions at the Press conference to-day.

He added that the Chinese were still active from the forts on the north bank of the Yangtze, opposite Kiangyin.—Reuters.

NANKING INFORMALLY DECLARED A WAR ZONE

Nanking, Dec. 8: Beginning from to-day, Nanking will be considered as a war zone, it is informally announced by the Chinese authorities. All civilians who are unable to leave the city will have to move to the refugee zone marked out by the authorities.—Central News.

PAPERS CONTINUE PUBLICATION

Nanking, Dec. 8: Despite the war situation five Chinese papers are still continuing their publication at Nanking. These include three morning papers, the Fu Lung Daily, the Hsin Hua Daily and the Nanking Morning Post, and two evening papers, the Fu Lun Evening News and the Ching Hua Evening News.

The official Central Daily News has been removed to Hankow.—Central News.

WUHU BOMBING CASUALTIES

Nanking, Dec. 8: An arrival from Wuhu reported that at least 1,000 Chinese civilians were killed and injured during the Japanese air raid along the waterfront of Wuhu last Sunday.

He asserted that the casualties at the wharf where the s.s. Tatung was moored were exceptionally high as thousands of refugees had flocked to the wharf hoping to gain passage to travel up-river. The bombs scored direct hits in the midst of this crowd, it is claimed.—Central News.

JAPANESE INFANTRY ADVANCING ON NANKING

Nanking, Dec. 8: It has been ascertained that the Japanese infantry units are advancing on Nanking in three directions.

One column from Kuyung, 22 miles southeast of Nanking, is pushing forward along the highway Chuhuashan north of Tang-shuichen to Chillingmen, the east outer gate of the capital.

A second column is launching an attack on Shunhuachen, 12 kilometres south of Kuyung. This column comprises about 22 kilometres south of Kuyung. This column comprises some mechanized units and is supported by aeroplanes. Chinese forces are maintaining positions south of Shunhuachen to check their advance.

During a skirmish yesterday a few scores of the Japanese vanguards were killed and about 20 rifles seized by the Chinese defenders.

A third column coming from Lishui is engaging the Chinese forces at Yinhangchen about five kilometres north of Mullingwan, about 22 kilometres south of Nanking.—Central News.

A.P.C. BOMBED

Nanking, Dec. 8.
A. L. Patterson, president of the China Air Motive Company, arrived yesterday after taking two weeks for the journey from Shanghai.

He reported that Chinkiang was badly damaged by airbombing. The Asiatic Petroleum Company's office there suffered from a direct hit.

He also declared that the retreating Chinese troops was well behaved and disciplined, and they shot all looters found in Chinkiang streets.—Reuters.

REPORTS ARE UNTRUE Banks Not Closing

Shanghai, Dec. 8.
A report appearing in the local morning papers that the Shanghai branches of the four Government banks have decided to close down, is described as entirely untrue by a spokesman of the Central Bank of China.

He declared that he had received instructions from Dr. H. H. Kung, the Finance Minister, that these banks are to continue to function here for the sole purpose of maintaining the local money market here for the benefit and interest of all concerned.

The spokesman added that with the removal of the head offices of these four banks, business was no longer being conducted by them in Shanghai, and the only activities being carried on here were confined to the maintenance of currency and ordinary business of a commercial nature. He also remarked that the four banks would remain as long as they wanted.—Reuters.

LANSBURY'S NEW PEACE TOUR

London, Dec. 7.
It is reported in the press that Mr. George Lansbury leaves London to-morrow for Prague, Warsaw and Vienna, where he will have interviews with leading statesmen as representative of the "Embassies of Reconciliation" group of Christian pacifists, in which capacity he was responsible for his peace journeys to Berlin and Rome last spring.—British Wireless.

MELLON INCOME TAX CONTROVERSY

New York, Dec. 7.
A charge against the Mr. Andrew Mellon, former U.S. Ambassador and financier, of avoiding payment of income tax, has been completely expunged by the action of the Government in overruling the major portion of the Federal Income Tax Board's claim of \$3,000,000 against the Mellon estate.

The decision states that the late Mr. Mellon had not filed a false or fraudulent return with the intention of evading taxes.—Reuters.

BRITISH INVESTMENTS OVERSEAS

London, Dec. 7.
Sir Robert Kindersley contributes to the current issue of the "Economic Journal" his customary annual survey of British overseas investments.

He estimates the total of United Kingdom investments abroad at the end 1936 as £3,784,000,000, against £3,788,000,000 the year before. He puts income from these investments in 1936 at £184,000,000.

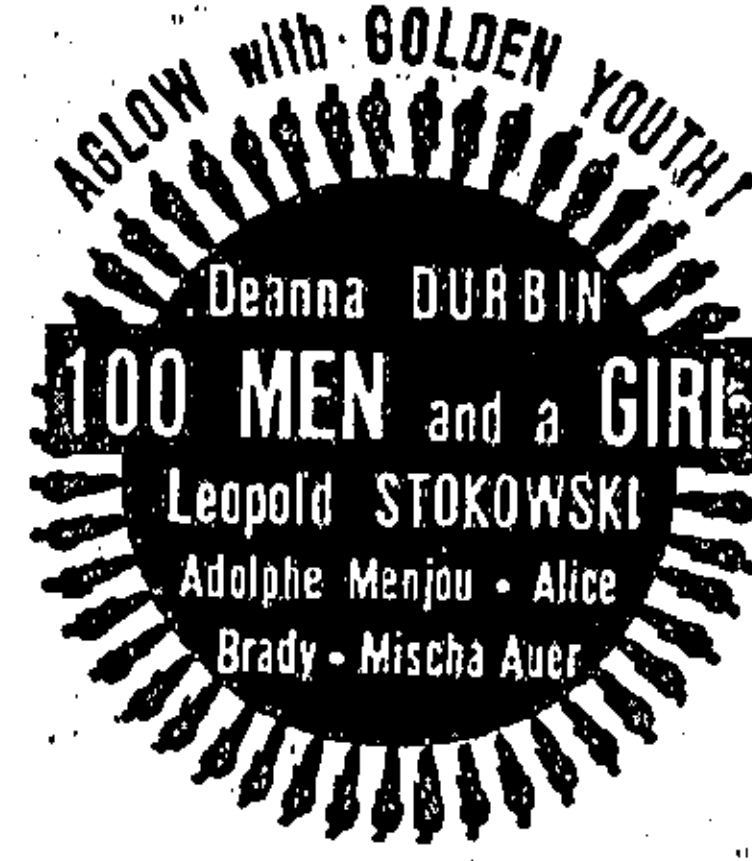
Of £3,240,000,000 nominal British capital invested overseas at the end of 1936, Sir Robert assigns £1,981,000,000 to British countries and £1,259,000,000 to foreign countries.

The estimated amounts for the Dominions are Australia £505,000,000, India and Ceylon £443,000,000, Canada and Newfoundland £443,000,000 and New Zealand £148,000,000.

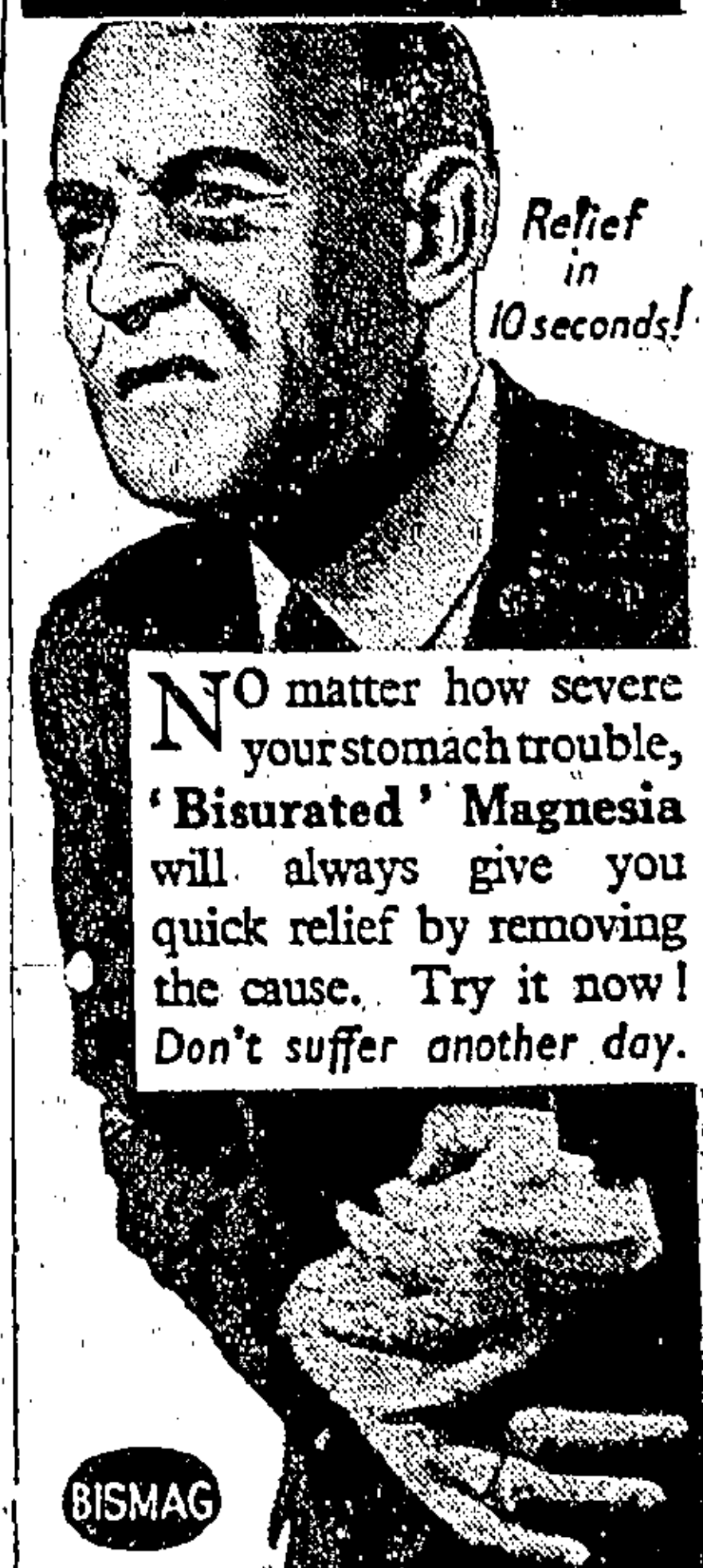
£238,000,000 is estimated to be invested in Europe, £372,000,000 in Argentina, £160,000,000 in Brazil, £50,000,000 in Chile and £85,000,000 in other South American countries.—British Wireless.

NEW NAVAL ATTACHE

London, Dec. 7.
The King has approved the appointment of Captain C. S. Holland as Naval Attache to His Majesty's Missions in France, Belgium, Spain, Portugal and the Netherlands, with headquarters at Paris to date from January 17 next.—British Wireless.



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R.N.

Lieut. (Retd.) H. J. Hamsher to be Lieut.-Comdr. (Retd.) with seny. of Nov. 11; Paymr. Lieut. (Retd.) A. E. Tull, D.S.M., to be Paymr. Lieut.-Comdr. (Retd.) (Nov. 17).

NOVEMBER 18
R.N.

Cd. Bandr. G. C. Keen, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., to be Lieut. on appt. as Assistant Musical Director (Nov. 16).

NOVEMBER 19
R.N.

Surg. Lieut.-Comdr. R. C. May, M.C., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to be Surg. Comdr. (Nov. 11); Sub-Lieut. (E) L. E. S. H. Le Bailly to be Lieut. (E) with seny. of Oct. 16; Sub-Lieut. (E) R. L. Edmonds to be Lieut. (E) with seny. of Oct. 1, 1936; Sub-Lieut. (E) P. G. Fyres-Turner to be Lieut. (E) with seny. of Aug. 1; Cd. Bosn. C. Harrison to be Lieut. (Oct. 27); Cd. Shipt. O. S. H. Camfield to be Shipt. Lieut. with seny. of Oct. 27.

NOVEMBER 20
R.N.

Wt. M.A.A. A. W. Herbert, D.S.M., to be Cd. M.A.A. with seny. of July 31.

NOVEMBER 23
R.N.

Sub-Lieuts. to be Lieuts.—R. W. Slater (Flying Offr. R.A.F.), B. E. A. Bell, R. P. Britten, M. B. Money, H. N. E. Kemball (Nov. 16). Seny. of the follg. Surg. Lieuts. ante-dated as stated:—W. H. E. McKee, M.B., B.Ch. (July 2, 1936); M. F. Sheehan, M.B., B.Ch., R. T. May, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., G. T. Holroyd, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Jan. 2).

NOVEMBER 24
R.N.

Teleg. Lieut. (Retd.) W. S. Bloodworth, M.B.E., to be Teleg. Lieut.-Comdr. (Retd.) (Nov. 24); Rev. A. Forty; Temp. R. Chaplain, placed on Retd. List (Nov. 24).

NOVEMBER 25
R.N.

Cd. Gunr. R. J. Maunier placed on Retd. List with rank of Lieut. (Nov. 25).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL NAVAL NURSING SERVICE
Miss M. E. Swinburne has been appointed a Nursing Sister, on probation, to date Dec. 6.

WAR OFFICE, NOV. 26.

REGULAR ARMY

Coi H. G. Seton-Smith, D.S.O., on ceasing to be empld., is placed on the h.p. list (Nov. 15); Col. N. A. B. Baillie-Hamilton, having attained the age for retirement, is placed on ret. pay (Nov. 25).

COMMANDS AND STAFF

Col. (local Brig.) H. G. Seton-Smith, D.S.O., relinquishes the appt. of A.A. and O.M.G., 1/c Admin., China, and the local rank of Brig. (Nov. 15); Maj. and Lt. Col. G. I. Thomas, D.S.O., M.C., R.A., to be G.S.O., 2nd Grade, War Office (Nov. 20).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Maj. and Lt. Col. G. I. Thomas, D.S.O., M.C., is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Nov. 20).

The follg. Capt. are resd. to the staff:—S. Attenborough (Sept. 29); C. G. Bicknell, M. C. (Nov. 1). Capt. F. S. Reid is secd. for serv. on the Staff (Nov. 4).

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

Capt. C. E. Montagu is placed on the h.p. list on account of ill-health (Nov. 25).

INFANTRY

Devon R.—Lt. T. W. Stopford is secd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Oct. 28).

E. Surrey R.—Lt. E. F. Whitehead is secd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Oct. 28).

D.W.R.—Lt. A. H. P. Laurence resigns his comm. (Nov. 26).

Welch R.—Capt. (local Maj.) C. J. Corbin is secd. while holding the appt. of Bde. Maj., Shanghai Vol. Corps (Nov. 17); Lt. J. N. Goodwyn to be Capt. (Nov. 17).

Black Watch—Capt. R. C. Macpherson is resd. to the estab. (Nov. 1).

R. Berks R.—Capt. A. H. Thornhill is secd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Oct. 28).

The follg. Lts. to be Capt. (Oct. 28):—A. L. Mitchell, and remains secd.; H. St. G. S. MacDowd.

R.W.K.—Capt. R. H. Molony to be Adpt. Vice Lt. D. E. B. Talbot (Nov. 26); Lt. D. E. B. Talbot is resd. to the estab. (Nov. 26).

Rifle Brigade—Capt. R. A. MacGeorge is resd. to the estab. (Nov. 1).

ROYAL TANK CORPS

The follg. Capt. are resd. to the estab. (Nov. 25):—F. W. B. Good; G. L. Prendergast.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Short Service Commission—Lt. (on prob.) G. M. Robertshaw is resd. to the estab. (Nov. 5).

THE SERVICES

(By The Air Mail, London Nov. 20)

ROYAL NAVY

INDIAN NAVY COMMAND
Vice-Admiral A. E. F. Bedford, C.B., C.S.I., has relinquished the post of Flag Officer Commanding the Royal Indian Navy and Naval Adviser to the Commander-in-Chief in India and Defence Member of the Executive Council, in which he completed three years in October.

He has been succeeded by Rear-Admiral H. Fitzherbert, C.M.G., who has attended a course at the R.N. War College since his appointment was announced in March. His last service was in command of the cruiser Devonshire in the Mediterranean. The Indian Navy now includes five escort vessels, one patrol vessel, one surveying ship, and a steam trawler for target-towing, with the depot-ship Dalhousie at Bombay.

BOYS' SEA TRAINING

The battleship Ramillies and Revenge, of the Home Fleet, which are employed in the sea training of boys, will go to Sheerness and Devonport for Christmas leave. Before their next cruises, both ships will receive new commanding officers. Captain E. N. Syrett, on completing two years as Deputy Director of Plans, will succeed Captain R. W. Oldham, O.B.E., A.D.C., in command of the Ramillies; and Captain W. F. Wake-Walker, O.B.E., after 24 years as Director of Torpedoes and Mining, will succeed Captain R. B. T. Miles in command of the Revenge.

OFFICERS FOR AIR DIVISION

Commander M. S. Slattery, who qualified as an air pilot in 1924, has been appointed for duty in the Naval Air Division, Admiralty. He has recently been on the staff of the Admiralty Commanding Reserves. Lieutenant-Commander R. S. D. Armour, who specialized as an air observer in 1925 and has recently been senior observer officer in the alternate carrier Courageous, has also been appointed to the Air Division.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—Capt.—A. C. G. Madden, to Capry, in command, and in charge of A/S establishment, Portland (Jan. 3); A. C. Collinson, to Centurion, in command (Jan. 4); P. Ruck-Keene, to Maldstone (Jan. 4), and in command (undated); Sir Philip W. Bowyer-Smyth, Bt., to Pegasus, in command (Jan. 10); R. L. B. Cunliffe, to Milford, in command (undated).

BOY SCOUTS COMPETITION

Enquiries from the Headquarters of the Boy Scouts Association elicited the information that the First Hong Kong (St. Joseph's) Troop won the annual competition camp held at Salwan on December 4 and 5. The same troop also won the Prince of Wales' Banner for 1937.

ARMY EDUCATIONAL CORPS

Maj. F. G. Harvey, M.B.E., T.D., M.A., having attained the age for retirement, is placed on ret. pay (Nov. 27); Capt. and Bt. Maj. S. S. Poole, A.M.I.M. Mech. E., to be Maj. (Nov. 27).

THE ARMY DENTAL CORPS

The follg. Capt. to be Maj. (Nov. 25):—A. K. Inglis, W. McD. Blrse, W. P. Baxendale, N. I. Macmillan.

Short Service Commission—Lt. S. A. Nicholson to be Capt. (Nov. 26).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE
Prov. Staff Nurse Miss E. M. Holdway is confirmed in her appt.

ESTABLISHMENTS

Army Tech. Sch. (Boys)—Capt. (O.M.E., 3rd Cl.) H. V. Glendinning, A.M.I. Mech. E., R.A.O.C., relinquishes the appt. of Inst. (Nov. 11).

R.E. and Signals Board—Col. H. M. Fordham, O.B.E., M.C., A.M.I.E.E., h.p., to be Member (Cl. X) with Engineer Pay (temp.) (Oct. 12) (Substituted for the notifn. in the "Gazette" of Oct. 28).

MEMORANDA

Lt.-Col. (local Brig.) K. I. Gourlay, D.S.O., M.C., R.E., relinquishes the local rank of Brig., on ceasing to act as O.C. Troops, Bermuda (Oct. 26); Lt.-Col. H. H. Cripps, D.S.O., h.p., late R. Fus., retires on ret. pay (Nov. 27); Capt. C. G. Eicknell, M.C., R.A., to be Instr. (Cl. BB) Instructional Staff, R.A., British Mil. Mission, Egyptian Army (Nov. 11).

Lts.—B. S. Pemberton, to Dolphin (Nov. 22); W. N. R. Knox, to Cyclops (Nov. 23); J. G. B. Stratton, to Glorious (Nov. 24); R. A. B. Phillimore, to Cornwall (Nov. 29); L. P. Moore, to Birmingham (Dec. 13); R. E. Campbell, to Clyde (undated).

THE ARMY

COLONEL OF INNISKILLING DRAGOON GUARDS

The King has been pleased to approve the appointment of Colonel (temporary Brigadier) R. Evans, M.C., A.D.C., as Colonel of the 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards, in succession to Major-General (honorary Lieutenant-General) Sir G. Tom M. Bridges, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., L.D., who has resigned the appointment.

NEW BATTALION COMMANDERS

Major P. N. Anstruther, D.S.O., M.S.O., M.C., has been selected for command of the 1st Battalion, The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel G. E. Wingfield-Stratford, M.C., whose tenure expired on Nov. 24.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. Nye, M.C., The Prince of Wales's Volunteer (South Lancashire), has been selected for command of the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Warwickshire Regiment, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel T. E. H. Taylor, D.S.O., M.C., whose tenure has expired.

BATTALIONS EMBARKING

The 3rd Battalion, Coldstream Guards, from Pirbright, and the 1st Battalion, The Suffolk Regiment, from Plymouth, left Southampton on Nov. 23 in the motor transport Dunera for Alexandria and Malta respectively. The returning battalions are the 2nd Grenadier Guards from the Tower, from Egypt, and the 1st The Duke of Wellington Regiment from Bordon, from Malta.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

The War Office announces that Major F. Horlington, T.D., has been selected for command of the 68th (North Midland) Anti-Aircraft Brigade, Royal Artillery, Territorial Army.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

COAST COMMAND STAFF

Wing Commander R. L. Crofton, M.B.E., A.F.C., promoted in the October list, has taken up air staff (navigation) duties at headquarters of the Coastal Command, Lee-on-the-Solent. For the past year he has been on similar duties with No. 16 (Reconnaissance) Group.

C.B.A. MEETING

New Clubhouse To Be Built

Plans for the erection of a new Clubhouse to replace the one destroyed in the last typhoon were discussed at an extraordinary general meeting of the Central British Association held yesterday afternoon at the Peninsula Hotel.

Mr. D. M. Richards was in the chair, and about 30 members were present, including the joint Honorary Secretaries, Messrs. G. W. Arnold and D. T. Smith.

It was decided to start raising the necessary funds for the building of the new pavilion, which would be a permanent structure and more spacious than the previous one, at least of a size sufficient to contain a badminton court. It is hoped that the pavilion will be ready by March, 1938.

Certain amendments to the rules of the Association were also passed at the meeting.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Chairman of the Hong Kong Travel Association acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following subscriptions to the Association for the period of 1937-1938.

"The South China Morning Post"\$100
"The Hong Kong Telegraph" 100

TYPHOON

The following warning was issued yesterday:—Cyclone or typhoon west of the Visayas Islands, almost stationary.

MISS ANNA TAM
MARRIED

Registry Ceremony

Miss Anna Tam, of "Jessville," R.B.L. No. 324 Pokfulam, daughter of the late Mr. Tam Ha Sze, was married to Mr. Tony Liang, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., residing at No. 1 Village Road, son of Mr. Liang Yim Hing, retired merchant at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday. The witnesses were Messrs. W. N. Thomas Tam and T. F. Lo.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Gloucester Hotel, where Sir Robert Ho-tung proposed the toast to the bride and bridegroom. He said:—

Ladies and Gentlemen: It was a very great pleasure to me to have been asked to propose the health and happiness of the bride and bridegroom this afternoon, and I am truly delighted to do so in view of my long intimate association with both families, who are now united by the ties of marriage.

The bridegroom's father, Mr. Liang Yen Hing, who is known in Tientsin and in North China as "The Grand Old Man of Tientsin," has, like myself, been associated with the "Princely House of Jardine" for more than a half-century. I first knew him over fifty years ago, and we have been business colleagues and warm friends ever since. Mr. Liang and I are alike in at least two things. Firstly, we both enjoy delicate health. I say "enjoy" because though it was said of us that we would not live long, we have both passed the human span of three score years and ten; and secondly, we both possess a beard, though Mr. Liang's is longer. It would, of course, have been a great pleasure to us all in Hong Kong if this Grand Old Man could have been with us this afternoon, but though ten years his junior, I can quite understand how impossible it was for him to undertake such an arduous journey during these difficult times. But I am sure you will all be glad to know that he is still hale and hearty, and I feel sure that his thoughts are with us to-day.

Both the bridegroom and his elder brother Albert were in the Colony a few years ago for the purpose of pursuing their studies at the Hong Kong University, and whilst they were in Hong Kong I had the privilege of being their guardian. The bridegroom's sister, Helen, is my god-daughter, and is the charming wife of Mr. T. F. Lo, who has served the Colony in the sphere of social work as a director of the Po Leung Kuk, and is serving the Colony in the sphere of sport as Chairman of the South China Athletic Association. A fine sportsman, the bridegroom has won many a prize in the field of sport, but I am sure that he is first to admit that the prize which he has won in the field of romance is the one which he values most, above everything else.

CHARMING AND ACCOMPLISHED

The bride is a sister of Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam who, as a member of the Urban Council, ex-Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk, ex-Chairman of the Rotary Club, a member of the District Watch Committee, and in numerous other capacities, has already rendered such distinguished services to the Colony. Graduated from St. Stephen's Girls' College the bride is as accomplished as she is charming, and as capable as she is graceful, and I congratulate the bridegroom on his supremely good fortune in winning such a helpmate.

It was at the Hong Kong Hotel two or three years ago that I first saw our couple together. I felt then that they would grow in mutual affection and regard and to-day I have the supreme satisfaction of seeing an old man's dream come true.

Knowing both the bride and bridegroom as I do, I can confidently predict for them, as I wish them with all my heart, a life of unclouded happiness and felicity.

And now, Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask you to drink a bumper to the health, wealth, happiness and prosperity of the bride and bridegroom.

SECOND CEREMONY

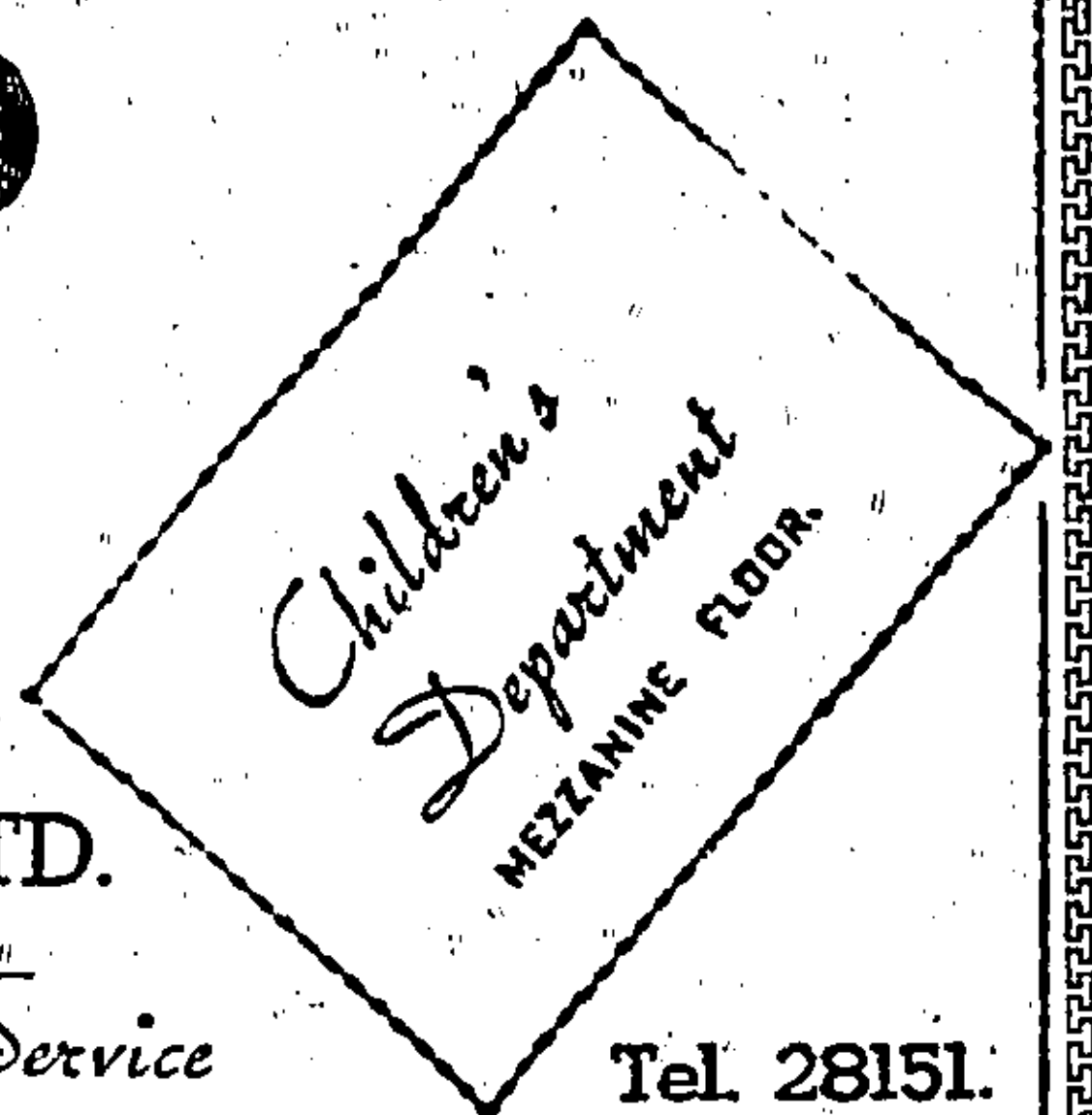
In the second Registry wedding yesterday Miss Au Yeung Sau Ying, of No. 18 Luen Fat Street, first floor, was married to Mr. Cheung King San, clerk of Chinese Maritime Customs, residing at No. 16 School Street. The groom is the son of Mr. Cheung Yuk Fai, Government pensioner, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. Au Yeung Chung Kwok. The witnesses were the groom's father and the bride's father.

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After spirited bidding at Sotheby's Saleroom, London, Mr. J. C. Ewing, the authority on Burns, secured two important additions to the Burns Cottage Museum at Alloway.

One of these, a superb autograph manuscript, containing 88 lines of verse beginning "Late crippled of an arm, and now a leg," was sent by the poet from Ellisland on October 5, 1791, to Robert Graham of Fintry, his friend and patron. The MS., which is in perfect condition, realised £300.

An autograph letter sent to Graham three years earlier, also from Ellisland, was bought by Mr. Ewing for £105.

In this the poet expresses gratitude for Graham's help and protection, saying—"I am scarce able to hold up my head with this fashionable influenza. Yet with half a spark of life I would try to thank you. I am curst with a melancholy presence, which makes me the varietal coward in life."

Burns goes on to discuss his farming prospects, and suggests that an Excise appointment at Dumfries would be welcome.

The letter was written about six weeks after his marriage to Jean Armour.

BADMINTON LEAGUE

Playing at the St. John's Cathedral Hall yesterday, the home team defeated the Club de Recrelo by 5 sets to 4 in a "B" Division League badminton match.

NO TIME SIGNAL

The Royal Observatory will not display the customary time signal to-morrow at 9 p.m. owing to the "black out."

The public is reminded that failure to comply with the regulation with respect to lighting may involve a fine of as much as \$1,000.

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B. ALVES,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 18th Nov., 1937.

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TENANTS ARE REMINDED of the official BLACK-OUT between the hours of 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 9th DECEMBER, and their co-operation is requested.

O. EAGER,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th Dec., 1937.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 18th December, 1937 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building, the Club House, Happy Valley, the Hong Kong Club, the Sports Club, and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 9th December, 1937.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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as a blind for the Chinese masses while lowering the prestige of the Western Powers to whom China had turned with pleading eyes for support. By all calculations, the law of averages and common sense, it was obvious that the Japanese armies would penetrate by degrees into China, but it is also obvious that on the measure of "Chinese" resistance will depend how soon Japan will exhaust herself in this gigantic task of fighting a prolonged war and maintaining an enormous army in a foreign country. There are unmistakable indications that the far thinking and sober elements in Japan are already growing apprehensive of the magnitude of the task ahead in the event of a prolonged struggle. The military clique, however, blinded by the flash of early victories, will in the Japanese fashion, endeavour to impose on China impossible peace terms. It is for the Chinese leaders to decide what shall be done, not forgetting that China's strength lies in the vastness of her territory and man power and Japan's weakness in her finances.

A LEGAL ANOMALY

The ill-fated Inheritance (Family Provisions) Bill was once more introduced as a private member's measure in the Commons recently. It is the same Bill which only missed a third reading earlier in the year by an all-night sitting which cancelled all the business on the Friday when it was to have come up. There has been more than one Bill on the same subject, and they have invariably had more success than the majority of private members' Bills. The support they have received is by no means surprising. In most other countries it is illegal for a man or a woman to make a will in such a way that the other partner to the marriage or the children are left destitute. This is, a natural extension of the principle which makes one partner responsible for the support of the other and of any children there may be during life. In Scotland the wife has a legal right to one-third (or one-half if there are no children) of her husband's estate, and the children have a right to another third. With only a third of his wealth therefore can a testator indulge his philanthropy or whims. The present Bill, probably mistakenly, does not adopt as simple a principle as the Scottish, but would enable the wife, husband, or children to appeal to the High Court (or to the county court if the sum involved is less than £2,000) for a will to be set aside and a juster distribution made.

The debate on the Bill became somewhat involved in hypothetical cases. Against the possible widow left penniless owing to her husband's belated infatuation for (the expression is that of the member for Penrith and Cockermouth) "a mighty bit of stuff" was set the war victim whose wife decided she would have nothing further to do with him. How to uphold the rights of the first without at the same time rewarding the callousness of the second? No one suggested a remedy, and most members were content with inventing one gloomy family tangle after another with which they proved that the Bill ought, or ought not, to be made law. To denounce the present Bill and at the same time to declare an earnest wish that there should be no more cruel disinherence gets you nowhere. It may not be perfect (it makes, for example, no provision for illegitimate children) but that it may be misused in some cases does not outweigh the numerous occasions on which it could be used to secure justice.

HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Spoon And Practice Shoot

As will be seen from the scores given below, shooting conditions on the Army Ranges yesterday afternoon, when the Association held its usual mid-week Spoon and Practice Shoot, were not altogether to the liking of many of the competitors, who once again found that the prevailing wind which is so common a feature at this time of the year on these ranges, was constantly changing both in direction and strength. In view of this fact the shooting, in the S.R. (a) class was particularly good and Pte. Cranston of the 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders would have made a possible at 600 yards, which is acknowledged by all to be the most difficult distance on the ranges, had he not dropped to a magpie with his second shot, all the rest being in the bull's-eye, including his sighting shot.

The fact that those using the aperture-sight and sling could only return a best score of 32 at this distance adequately demonstrates the very fine shooting of this member, who is one of those earmarked as being a possible member of the S.R. (a) team which will represent the Colony in the N.R.A. Overseas Match. As regards those using the "1914" rifle, the nett spoon was once again won by E.R.A. Haynes of H.M.S. "Midway" while L/Cpl. Tonnar, also belonging to the 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders, won the spoon awarded on the handicap score.

Between 80 and 70 members attended yesterday's shoot, and for the first time no member was present from the 1st Bn. The Royal Ulster Rifles, since this unit is leaving the Colony for India tomorrow. To this battalion the

Association owes a debt of gratitude which it is impossible to assess at anything like its true value. It must suffice to say that without the help and support of its members, which has been so freely given since their arrival in the Colony, the Association would not have been able to have made the progress which it has done during the last two years, and it is largely due to the way in which they have supported this Association, that it was found possible to proceed with the provision of the present Clubhouse. This unit, as far as it is known, was the first battalion in the Regular Army to start a Rifle Club of its own devoted to the "Blaisy" type of shooting, and the clock which was so kindly presented by the members of this Club to the Association's Clubhouse, will be a lasting reminder of the very large part which the unit has played in fostering keenness for this form of shooting.

By the same troopship, the Association is losing another of its oldest and best known members, as Captain F. J. C. Rybot, of the Royal Artillery who has shot with such conspicuous success at the last two "Association" Prize Meetings is now returning home.

The Honorary Secretary requests us to state that it is once again possible to purchase the "1914" rifle, although it seems practically certain that the price will be definitely higher than was the case 18 months ago; also that the individual full membership tickets will be issued to all who have joined since September 1st last, during the coming week-end.

The leading scores made yesterday afternoon are as follows:—

S.R. (b)	Score at Score at Score at Aggregate				
	Ass'n	300 Yds.	500 Yds.	600 Yds.	Score
	H/cap.	Nett	Nett	Nett	Nett
1.—E.R.A. W. E. Haynes.....	scr	31	33	30	94*
2.—P.O. D. J. Silcock.....	2	32	28	32	92
3.—P.O. C. Clark.....	—	29	32	30	91
4.—C.P.O. C. Fellow.....	scr.	30	31	30	91
5.—Mr. C. Watson.....	scr.	26	33	31	90
6.—Mr. H. L. Langley.....	—	30	30	30	90
7.—Mr. H. W. Cory.....	1	31	30	29	90
8.—L/Cpl. A. R. Tonnar.....	4	30	30	29	89†
9.—Surg. Lt. J. B. Mackie.....	1	31	30	27	88
10.—P.O. Tel. A. C. Hinds.....	5	30	31	27	88
11.—Sgt. J. C. W. Bickell.....	4	28	31	28	87
12.—L/Sea. C. H. Knight.....	5	25	29	30	84
13.—L/Cpl. A. Bonnell.....	5	28	29	27	84
14.—B763 Charan Singh.....	2	26	28	28	80
15.—Capt. I. B. Trevor.....	5	27	29	22	78

All the above competitors used the "1914" rifle.

	S.R.	(a)			
1.—Pte. W. Cranston	9	22	30	33	85†
2.—P.O. H. Richards	6	30	29	26	85†
3.—Pte. E. Moss	8	25	27	28	80
4.—Pte. A. H. Cox	10	26	27	24	77
5.—L/Cpl. J. Baird	9	27	24	25	76
6.—Lt. G. Stapleton	8	23	27	25	75
7.—Pte. A. Middleton	11	24	26	23	73†

*—Denotes the winner of the "nett" spoon.
†—Denotes the winner of the "handicap" spoon.
NOTE.—The handicap of each winner has been reduced by one point as shown. This procedure applies to all S.R. (a) and S.R. (b) Spoon Shoots.

OXFORD DEFEATS CAMBRIDGE IN ANNUAL RUGBY MATCH

London, Dec. 7. Before an attendance of 40,000, which included His Majesty the King, Oxford revealed surprising form to defeat Cambridge by 17 points to four in the annual Inter-varsity rugby encounter at Twickenham to-day. This was Oxford's first victory since 1934.

Although they appeared to be the lighter and smaller side, the Dark Blues confounded the critics by being superior in all departments of the game. The deadly tackling of the three-quarters and the magnificent work of the forwards in the loose kept Cambridge on the defensive. The Cambridge backs spoiled movements by hurried passing, and their attackers were completely throttled and not given space to operate. Many movements were broken up before they developed.

The Oxford players deserved their victory, which may partly be attributed to Brett, the Oxford captain whose last-minute shuffling of the Oxford defence transferred H. D. Frazer from full back to the three-quarter line, which previously was inclined to be weak in defence.

It was just possible to see across the foggy pitch when W. N. Renwick, the Oxford left wing three-quarter, opened the scoring in the sixth minute. He gathered an

awkwardly bouncing ball and scored an unconverted try. Cooke, the scrum half, scored another try one minute before the interval, and this time Brett converted.

At half-time, Oxford led 8-0. Mayhew, an Oxford forward, following up a long punt, scored an unconverted try in the second minute after resumption, to increase the Dark Blues' lead to 11-0.

Cambridge retaliated and Bruce-Lockhart, the stand-off half, dropped a goal in the 24th minute. Seven minutes later, Mayhew beat three men and registered another try, which was not converted. Cooke completed the scoring in the last minute with a try, but the kick for the extra points again failed.

HANDBAGS LOST

Mrs. Kennedy, of No. 12 Soares Avenue, reported to the police that while she was shopping at Bata's yesterday afternoon, she lost a handbag containing £30. A handbag, containing £41, the property of Mrs. Gilloth, of Stanley Prison, was lost while she was shopping at the May May Company yesterday afternoon.

JAPAN REVIEW

"Judgment And Great Common Sense"

One of the best English linguists among Japanese Government officials who have recently passed through Singapore arrived in Singapore recently, on his way to take up the post of Vice-Consul for Japan in Sydney.

He is 30-year-old Mr. K. Miyake, educated at both Oxford and Cambridge and who, for two years has been attached to the Japanese Consulate at London.

He saw the anti-Japanese demonstrations in London outside the consulate which was ringed with a cordon of police.

"I arrived back at the consulate building with my golf clubs over my shoulder to find the whole place surrounded by police," Mr. Miyake said in an interview with the "Times of Malaya."

"At first I thought a fire must have broken out, but then I saw a large crowd of Communist demonstrators from Hyde Park, marching towards the building, bearing banners and their letter of protest against Japan," he said.

The Japanese consulate was in no danger, he added, although it was guarded by police all night.

Speaking of the anti-Japanese demonstrations in England, Mr. Miyake said they represented "only the Communist section of the population."

"The demonstrations were not so big as those during the Manchurian crisis," he said.

Healthy Judgment

Asked about the treatment of Japan by the English press Mr. Miyake said:

"If good understanding had been established between England and Japan before the conflict, there would have been no occasion for the exaggerated accounts that were published as propaganda for China."

"I believe the healthy judgment and great common sense of the British people; will in the future enable them to understand Japan and her needs, that have been promulgated, in conference after conference and passed by without recognition by the nations of the world."

There are not enough European teachers of English in Japan, Mr. Miyake added and Japanese teaching methods are inferior to those in Europe. For years Japanese diplomacy has been handicapped by lack of linguistic ability.

"Languages are the tools of diplomats and we must master them," he said.

Mr. Miyake said when he arrived in London a few years ago, he could hardly make himself understood in English, although he had studied it at universities in Japan.

At present there are nearly 1,000 Japanese in London of which 500 are in business, the others being mainly students, said Mr. Miyake.

TRIANGULAR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Depleted Navy XI Trounced By The Club

W. A. REED BRILLIANT

Another smashing defeat at the hands of the Hong Kong Hockey Club saw the Royal Navy lose all interest in the Triangular Hockey Tournament at King's Park yesterday. The Navy fielded a depleted team, their defence in particular being weak, and the margin of five goals to nil was a true reflection of the play. Their defeat was one of the heaviest in the Tournament series for a long time.

The Club's forward line was in great form and the fact that most of the attacking was done by them was responsible for W. A. Reed frequently appearing in the comparatively unusual light of attacker pure and simple. Not that his defence was not as perfect as ever. Time and again he broke up attack after attack in his usual sound style, so steady and reliable and yet so unspectacular that one does not truly recognise the fineness of his play if one did not watch him and the run of the game closely.

Another hard-working player was A. Bates, who, however, expended considerably more energy with less return. J. E. Potter, also, was in form and the Club half-back line was so seldom passed that the backs had little to do. What they had, Wallace and E. V. Reed dealt with neatly and effectively.

Of the five forwards Tom Whitely and Bickford were perhaps the fastest but the understanding of the line as a whole was good and at times reached such a pitch of excellence that the five men worked as one.

FIRST GOAL
The first goal came as the result of a short corner. The ball was directed almost on Divett's stick and he took a hard low shot would have the Naval goalies no chance. This was after a period of even play, when the Navy were getting as much of the ball as their opponents, but for some time after this it was all Club. Reid followed raid and but for some determined work by Comdr. Spencer and Lt. Miller, the Club would have got through at least twice again within fifteen minutes of their first point. Strangely enough, Spencer, who was now playing a great game, later fell off to such an extent that one could remember little or none of his work in the second half.

TURN OF TIDE
A brief turn of the tide saw the Navy take up the running and Lieutenant Donald nearly scored from close range—he would have almost certainly scored, in fact, had he been a little quicker, but a

slight hesitation whether to take the shot himself or to slip it to his inside-right proved fatal, and he found himself dispossessed of the ball.
The play swung to the other end, and from a pass Fowler seized on the ball on the wing, dribbled for a couple of yards, and sent in a surprise shot, which difficult though it was because of the angle at which he had to make it, should not have scored. Half-time found the Club leading by two clear goals.

NAVY RETALIATE
Immediately after the resumption the Navy forwards pulled themselves together and for a period play was confined to the Club half. During this time Willie Reed gave further proof of the truism that, taken day in day out, he is one of the best players that have ever stepped on a local hockey field since the game reached its present popularity. Without his seeming to move about much, pass after pass by a Navy forward would land on or near his stick with uncanny certainty, a step forward, a flick, and the ball would be transferred up the field, generally almost on to the feet of Whitely or Bickford. Sometimes, though not often, he would take the ball right up himself but he never forgot he was a defender as well, and got rid of it as soon as he thought any danger might follow his hanging on to it too long. Reed played a truly marvellous game yesterday.

WHITLEY SCORES
Following a missed opportunity by Divett, he, Bickford and Whitely returned to the attack, and some clever interpassing saw Whitely with the ball and only the goalies to beat. That made it three-nil, and after that the game became much less interesting. The Navy as a side appeared to have shot their bolts and did not look as if they would finish full of fight as they had done in their previous two Tournament games, in which, though badly beaten, they actually had much the greater part of the play than the winners in the closing minutes.

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Chinese Cavalry Exploit

Nanking, Dec. 8: Whilst patrolling the countryside, seven Chinese cavalrymen were surrounded by a party of about 60 Japanese soldiers at Chialingshan (Nine-Dragon Hill) in the Nanking suburbs yesterday.

Firing his light machine-gun, one of the cavalrymen mowed down five or six Japanese, while his comrades bayoneted some ten more. They succeeded in breaking through the cordon, but three of their comrades were killed during the fight.

Central News.

JAPANESE PLAN CELEBRATIONS

Shanghai, Dec. 8: Japanese residents to-day started a movement to raise funds for building extra naval and military planes "to commemorate forever Japanese occupation of China's abandoned capital." The fund-raising campaign will continue for one week, ending on December 12, and each contribution must exceed one yen. Meanwhile the Japanese are preparing for a big celebration which will be held directly the capture of Nanking is announced. Japanese residents will turn out en masse, staging a song feast and flag parade in the Hongkew area.

Should notification of Nanking's capture be received at 9 a.m. tomorrow the parade will be held at 1 p.m. but if the news arrives later the parade will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday. The procession will visit Hongkew Wharf where the Japanese flagship Idzumo is berthed and also march past the Headquarters of the naval landing party where Japanese naval and military officials will witness the proceed-

K.C.R. TRACKS DAMAGED

Tintongwai Station Suffers Heavily In Bombings

Canton, Dec. 8: Both the Canton-Kowloon Railway and the Canton-Hankow Railway were raided twice by Japanese planes to-day.

At 7.45 a.m., five Japanese planes appeared over the Boca Tigris, Forts and Whampoa Harbour, and then flew along the Canton-Kowloon Railway. After circling over Shinglung station, they proceeded to Tintongwai station, where they dropped more than ten bombs, tearing up many sleepers, sections of rails, and destroying a lot of telegraph poles and wires.

At 1.53 p.m. three planes staged a second raid on Tintongwai station. Considerable damage was done to the track.

At 3.30 a.m., six planes bombed Kuntien, Lienkongkew and Yuntan stations on the Canton-Hankow Railway, slightly damaging the track.

A second attack on the Canton-Hankow Railway was made by four planes at 12.45 p.m. This time they bombed the track between Pakong and Laitung stations. A considerable number of high explosives were released. The damage is not yet ascertainable.

Central News.

MORE ARRESTS AT SHANGHAI

Nanking, Dec. 8: In spite of the International Settlement, the Japanese consular and military authorities at Shanghai are continuing to arrest civilians without previous warning to the Settlement police, according to information from foreign circles.

A Korean was arrested by the Japanese consular police in the Settlement south of the Soochow Creek and escorted to Hongkew on the night of December 6.

Chu Lin-yung, salesman of the Wu San Bookstore at Tsoukaidoo was also arrested by Japanese troops on the morning of December 5, but was later released after questioning.

Central News.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY

Bombay, Dec. 8: Lord Tennyson's cricket team whose overnight score was 300 for five wickets lost the last five wickets for only 67 runs to-day in a three-day match against the Cricket Club of India. In the first innings Lord Tennyson's team scored 387 runs to which the Cricket Club replied with 189.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

ABOUT TO SUE FOR PLEA

Japanese Rumours About China

Tokyo, Dec. 8: Based on the German Ambassador's 40-minute interview with the Foreign Minister yesterday afternoon and the fact that Germany has kept the Japanese Government fully informed concerning Dr. Oscar Trautmann's mediatory efforts at Nanking, the Japanese press to-day splashed rumours that the Chinese Government is about to sue for peace, declaring that the Cabinet yesterday evening discussed peace terms.

The Japanese press furiously debates whether Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will negotiate or will be overthrown, giving way to a regime more acceptable to Japan.

Japanese forces are concentrating before Nanking in bringing up their siege guns, and marking time, apparently in the expectation of a change in the regime at Nanking with the result that the city will capitulate unconditionally.

Japanese military leaders allegedly are not desiring to subject the city to the terrors of storming.

Meanwhile Japanese Cabinet ministers and officials are very busy in conference debating the Japanese policy in the event, firstly, of Chiang Kai-shek retreating to West China for prolonged resistance, when undoubtedly the Japanese Government will denounce his Government; and secondly the overthrow of the Generalissimo and the emergence of a "peace at any price" regime, leading to the eventual conclusion of a Japanese peace.—Reuter

SITUATION IN WORLD TO-DAY

HITLER'S DEMAND FOR RETURN OF COLONIES

The speaker in the "World Affairs" series, broadcast from Daventry last night, was Sir Malcolm Robertson who reviewed the situation in the world to-day. He said that he felt that every thinking man or woman who desired to see permanent peace established in the world must have regarded anxiously the recent talks between Lord Halifax and Herr Hitler and then the visit of the French Ministers to London.

No statement was issued at the conclusion of the Halifax-Hitler talks and none was expected, but a communique was issued after the great satisfaction was manifested at the unanimity of the views held by Britain and France on all problems confronting the world to-day.

For instance insofar as the Colonial question is concerned both countries are agreed that it is a matter which needs extended study.

Sir Malcolm said that the attitude of the German and Italian Press—all of which is officially inspired or officially encouraged—is not so encouraging. Herr Hitler and the German Press demand the return of colonies as a right. It appears, said the speaker, that the latest German attitude is that she has nothing to give in return for these colonies!

If Germany demands the return of colonies as a right, the speaker said, he wondered whether Germany would ask from her newly-found ally, Japan, the return of her islands in the Pacific which were given to Japan after the World War.

THE FAR EAST

Turning to the Far East, Sir Malcolm said that Japan is rapidly approaching the interior of China and is at the very gates of Nanking. China is a very vast country and the further the Japanese push the longer would be her lines of communication. The speaker said that he gathered the seat of the Chinese Government has been moved to Hankow. Beyond Hankow is Ichang and owing to the gorges and rapids it is impossible for any of the larger craft to go so far up river.

In conclusion Sir Malcolm said that in his opinion if China was determined to fight to a finish Japan would have a very long way to go to "beat China to her knees."

NEW "HINDENBURG" LINE

Peking, Dec. 7: A Japanese military spokesman admitted that the Chinese are busily constructing another "Hindenburg Line" along the right bank of the Yellow River from Tungkwang to a point 60 miles inside of the Shantung border.

Reuter.

PRODUCTION OF FOOD

Emergency Scheme Of Kwangtung Augmented

Canton, Dec. 8: To effect a closer co-operation between the farmers and bankers in Kwangtung province in pushing the Emergency Food Production Programme, Governor Wu Te-chen has appointed Dr. D.Y. Lin, Director of the Bureau of Agriculture and Forestry as head of a Food Production Loans Department.

Under the new plan, district magistrates or representatives of farmers may approach this department for loans for food production.

Rapid progress has been made in winter cultivation and the promotion of growing of minor food crops, such as wheat, barley, sweet potatoes, beans, etc., since the Emergency Food Programme was launched shortly after the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities in the north. The bankers in Kwangtung have supported the programme by advancing \$1,500,000 which have been used as loans for production work.

Central News.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Victoria Now Has Over Thousand Cases

Melbourne, Dec. 8: Infantile paralysis which is ravaging Victoria has reached a total of 1,100 cases which is in proportion of 60 to every 100,000 inhabitants. Control measures are being taken including border patrols which are stopping the entrance of children who are not certified that they have not been in contact with other children suffering from the disease.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

COMPLIMENTS OVER THE WIRES

Rome, Dec. 7: An exchange of congratulatory telegrams between Emperor Pu Yi of Manchukuo and King Victor Emmanuel of Italy on the occasion of the recognition of Manchukuo is announced.

Emperor Pu Yi said in part: "We can work together in the cause of world peace."

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ADDITIONAL DEFENCES AT NANKING

Garrison Troops' Splendid Morale

Nanking, Dec. 8: An imposing array of tanks, armoured cars and mechanized units of the crack Nanking divisions proceeding to the front from the capital along the Nanking-Hankow highway last night and early this morning.

The garrison troops proceeding to the front are looking very fit and maintaining excellent morale.

Additional defence works are being put up around Nanking and with the defence in the hands of Nanking's modern, mechanized units and with such a number of formidable tanks and field guns the battle of Nanking will open an unprecedented furious chapter of fighting in the history of the undeclared Sino-Japanese war.

In anticipation of Japanese attack by the water route the Chinese military authorities here laid additional booms along the waterway at Hsialakwan and other strategic points leading to the capital.

International News Agency.

IMPORTANT POINT

Nanking, Dec. 8: Shangchushu, a point near Shunhuachen, 12 kilometres outside Kwanghsuamen, which was taken by the Japanese vanguards as a temporary base of operations on December 5, was recaptured by the Chinese forces during a counter-attack this morning.

Central News.

denburg Line" along the right bank of the Yellow River from Tungkwang to a point 60 miles inside of the Shantung border.

This line is held by 22 divisions. The spokesman also admitted that Chinese troops, operating in Shansi had re-occupied Pingyao.

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Pootung Puppet's Latest

Shanghai, Dec. 8: Su Hsi-wen, "Mayor" of the Pootung administration, has circumscribed the Chinese public organizations asking for their co-operation.

The letter points out that since the withdrawal from Shanghai of the Kuomintang troops, everything has been at a standstill. It goes on to state that "at the request of various circles" he assumed the post of Mayor and he desires to restore normal conditions.

A feature of the letter is the use of the old Chinese calendar which was abolished by the Central Government.

Reuter.

SILVER MARKET

Expect Rise Stopped By Late Selling

London, Dec. 7: Surprises was expressed on all sides this afternoon when the price of silver showed a small rise against the farthing to three-farthings jump which the market expected earlier in the day.

It is understood the price would have risen sharply for a late rush of Indian selling. Moreover certain technical factors connected with selling orders militated to the contrary.

After fixing the price, gossip in bullion circles turned to the amount of silver which was offered to and taken by the United States yesterday afternoon, estimates varying between 750,000 and 1,500,000 ounces. Almost immediately after to-day's fixing India turned buyer, bidding up the price by an eighth, but sellers were holding off. It was believed that America also asked for offers to be made, but brokers have not been able to do business owing to the attitude of sellers, while arbitrageurs were also trying to buy in order to ship to New York.

Reuter.

CHINESE URGED TO SURRENDER

RING CLOSE ROUND NANKING

Shanghai, Dec. 8:

While continuing to close their ring of steel around Nanking, the Japanese commanders are preparing to urge General Tang Sen-chi, Nanking Garrison Commander, to surrender with the three hundred thousand Chinese soldiers reputed to be under his command, according to semi-official Japanese statements.

Simultaneously the Japanese authorities are communicating with the various nationalities remaining in Nanking and urging non-combatant neutrals to evacuate immediately. Another Japanese statement says that steps are being taken to prevent loss of life of third party nationals in the event of General Tang Sen-chi refusing to surrender.

"NO HURRY"

Meanwhile the Japanese military authorities indicate that their forces are in "no hurry" to enter Nanking and intimated that it would be "in keeping with the traditions of Bushido" to seek the capture of the former capital without causing a heavy loss of life amongst non-combatants which could not be prevented in a siege.

It is pointed out that Nanking is strongly fortified against land and aerial attacks and "could in no way be described as an undefended city and losses of life and property will be unavoidable if the city was besieged."

Should the Chinese fail to surrender, however, the siege may develop into the bitterest encounters in the present hostilities. It is emphasised that the lack of facilities to cross the river to Pukow placed the garrison in an unenviable position. Even should vessels be available they will be subjected to aerial attacks.

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RESIGNATION OF U.S. AMBASSADOR

London, Dec. 8: It is reported officially though unconfirmed that the American Ambassador in Berlin has resigned.

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Mr. George Lansbury left London yesterday for Prague, Warsaw and Vienna, where he will have interviews with leading statesmen as a representative of "the embassies of reconciliation," a group of Christian pacifists responsible for his peace journeys to Berlin and Rome last spring.

SHANGHAI CUSTOMS SITUATION

STATEMENT BY MR. EDEN

London, Dec. 8: Discussions are still proceeding in Shanghai with the Japanese authorities regarding the Chinese Customs said Mr. Eden in Commons to-day. He had received no information from the French and United States Governments in regard to the replies given to them on the same subject. Mr. Arthur Henderson asked in whose custody were the proceeds of Customs duties paid in respect of goods entering China.

Mr. Eden replied that he better put it down in writing.

Replying to another question, Mr. Eden said he understood that Viscount Ishii stated he was paying a purely private visit to Europe. There could, therefore, be no question of making to him representations suggested by a question put by Mr. McEntee, viz that opportunity should be taken to demand an explanation and an apology for the various attacks on British subjects or soldiers in China.—Reuter.

BRAVERY OF CHINESE LAD

Hsinhsiang, Dec. 8: A 14-year-old Chinese soldier, bayoneted three Japanese and seized three rifles during a hand-to-hand fight on the Shanai front recently, according to a Chinese army officer who just came here from Shanai.

The lad, the army officer said, was firing side by side with other Chinese soldiers in the trench when suddenly his gun went out of action. As he was trying to fix it, a batch of Japanese came towards them in a charge. Following his comrades, he jumped out of the trench and engaged the enemy in a hand-to-hand fight. Thrusting his gun right and left, he bayoneted three Japanese and seized their rifles. He returned safely to the trench after the Japanese were repulsed.

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CHINESE FOREIGN OFFICE

Hankow, Dec. 8: In order to facilitate the work of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, an office will be maintained in Hankow where important members of the Ministry will be stationed, it is learned here. The head office of the Ministry, however, will be established at Chungking which is the new seat of the Central Government. Part of the staff of the Ministry is leaving here today for Chungking.

Central News.

MOBILISATION PLAN FOR SZECHWAN PROVINCE

Chengtu, Dec. 8: A programme calling for the mobilisation of all able-bodied men in the province to stand by for service in the army has been completed by the Szechwan Provincial Government, it is learned here. The authorities have also drafted plans for food, stuffs, finance and communication during the emergency.

Central News.

"COL. L. JONES"

London, Dec. 8: A deputation from the United Kingdom branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association is to visit Australia at the invitation of the Association's branch in the New South Wales Parliament for the celebration in January of the 150th anniversary of the foundation of Australia. The deputation will consist of Colonel L. Jones. The guests at Sydney will also include representatives of branches of the Association in other parts of the Empire. The United Kingdom delegates will visit branches of the Association in the Parliaments of Western Australia, South Australia and Victoria before the official visit to Sydney where they will take part in an informal Parliamentary Conference on Empire development.

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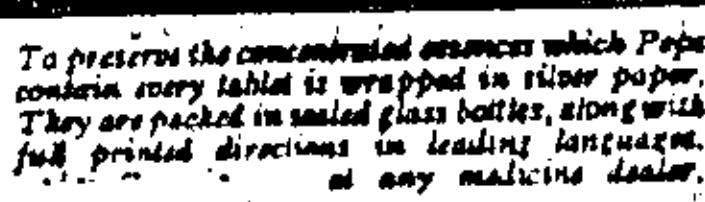
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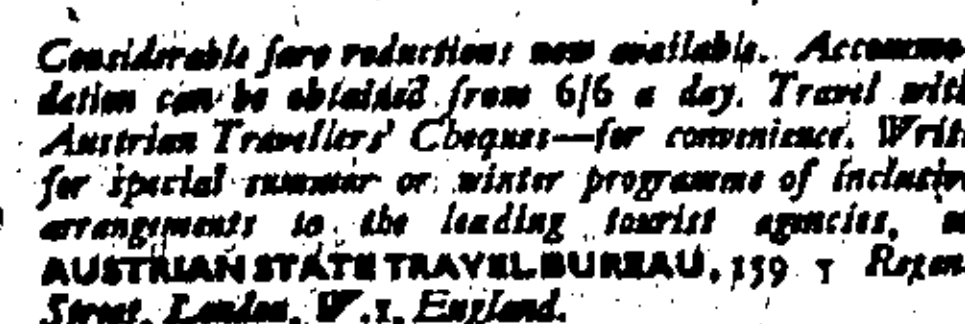
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SLEPT WHILE
BEING SHAVEDMan Who Also Had
Foot TreatmentACTION FOR DAMAGES
AGAINST HOTEL

The complaint of a diamond broker, Mr. Joseph Williams, of Florencecourt, Malda Vale, that a chiropodist injured his foot, was investigated in the King's Bench Division recently.

The action was against Strand Hotel Ltd., owners of the Regent Palace Hotel, Piccadilly, for negligent treatment by one of their employees, a man named Jones.

The defence was a denial of negligence, it being contended that the treatment was proper and skilful.

Mr. Williams, in evidence, stated that after having been up all night playing cards, he went to the hotel to have a shave and, while sitting in the chair, took off his shoe. He told the man that his foot had swollen and was advised to see the chiropodist.

"As I was being shaved I fell asleep," he said.

"While you were being shaved," exclaimed Mr. Justice Greaves-Lord, "some people are more trustful than others. Nothing in the world would make me go to sleep while being shaved." (Laughter.)

"DOPED" WITH IODINE

Mr. Williams said he was awakened from his sleep, while being shaved, by the burning heat of a lamp at his foot. Jones said he had "doped" his foot with iodine. He added that he was in bed for three weeks.

Cross-examined by Mr. Fearnley-Whittingstall, defending, Mr. Williams denied that he was being shaved, manicured and having foot treatment at the same time.

Mr. Fearnley-Whittingstall: Were you telling stories which somewhat embarrassed the young woman manicurist?—No.

He admitted that the treatment he received relieved the pain in his foot for a time.

A doctor who attended Mr. Williams said the foot was very blistered. That could have been accounted for by the use of strong iodine, because a certain type of person would blister after a very small quantity.

TRAMP SHIPPING'S NEW START

LORD RUNCIMAN ON BRIGHTER FUTURE

Viscount Runciman, the former President of the Board of Trade, said recently that, if the recent depression in British tramp shipping had continued every tramp shipowner firm in the country would have become insolvent. Instead, the industry had made a new start.

He was speaking after the unveiling of a new portrait of himself which is to hang in the council chamber of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom in London. The portrait, which was painted by Mr. R. G. Eves, was unveiled by Sir Richard D. Holt, President of the Chamber.

"During the last few years, we have had some very bitter experiences," Lord Runciman said. "I went into office for the second time in 1931 feeling that it was an almost hopeless task to exercise any influence for the recovery of British trade, but I also had it fixed in my mind that with the approval of the House of Commons I would stay in that office until I saw shipping on a sound footing."

"Very few people outside realise how near a very important section of British shipping was to extinction. Another two or three years of the experience of 1932 to 1934 and there would have been no tramp firm solvent in the United Kingdom."

DANGER TO DEFENCES
"This would have meant the loss to this country of a most important

part of British shipping. It would have reduced our powers of defence to a dangerously low ebb and, would have meant a distinct weakening of our Imperial connections."

"The subsidy granted by the Government was intended to be the basis of a new understanding among shipowners. Co-operation is an essential element in the grant."

"We have made a new start," added Lord Runciman. "We have got out of the worst of our misfortunes, but the way is not all clear yet. With another two or three years of the present healthier conditions, I have no doubt that we shall see ourselves established on the old foundation of prosperity."

"PILORIED HIMSELF"
Lord Runciman recalled that, years ago, a number of letters which frankly criticised shipowners appeared anonymously in a newspaper, and there was a good deal of speculation about the identity of the author. One suggestion was that the author was his father, the shipowner, who died in August.

"It was a shrewd guess and it was quite right," Lord Runciman said. "I suggested that he should get one of his friends to write an article about himself, but he said he could not trust any of them."

"So it happened that he wrote an article, whereupon his friends said 'He can't be the author because he is piloried like the rest.'"

SPECIALIST
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PATIENTDenial Of Neglect
At Operation

X-RAY DISCOVERY

A Harley-street specialist, Mr. Horace Powell Winsbury-White, was sued for damages in the King's Bench Division recently by a commercial traveller, Mr. Arthur William Morris, 61, of Arundel-gardens, Goodmayes, Essex, who alleged negligence in the conduct of an operation.

The defence was denial of the allegations.

Mr. J. P. Eddy, K.C., for Mr. Morris, said the action arose from an operation for the removal of the prostate gland. It was performed by Mr. Winsbury-White in two stages in November and December, 1933, at St. Paul's Hospital, Endell-street, W.C. The hospital had no responsibility in the matter.

The complaint was that the specialist permitted a piece of drainage tube to remain in the bladder for four months. For about half that time, Mr. Morris was in a private ward as the defendant's patient. The tubing was discovered on April 11, 1934, at an X-ray examination. Mr. Morris's health had been ruined.

Mr. Eddy said that Mr. Winsbury-White assured Mr. Morris before the operation that he would give him personal attention and visit him three times a week until he was discharged.

The fee was 55 guineas for Mr. Winsbury-White, with five guineas a week as a private ward fee.

"Mr. Morris was discharged on February 10, 1934, when he ought not to have been, and the specialist was negligent in that respect," said counsel. "His condition has been appalling since. He has had so much pain that he dared not eat. The devoted wife took on the treatment of her husband. The neglect of the defendant is unforgivable."

QUESTION OF RESPONSIBILITY

When complaint was made about the after-effects, he said, the specialist said that he could not hold himself responsible as it was not his province to cleanse the drainage tube. On April 12, 1934, Mr. Winsbury-White stated "in a letter that it had been wrongly reported to him that the tube had been removed whereas it had disappeared into the wound."

"This case," the letter continued, "raises in my mind this important point. Is it wise for members of the honorary staff to continue to encourage patients who consult them privately to enter a private ward without some kind of assurance by the hospital against mistakes in supervision by the resident medical and nursing staff? In the light of my present experience, my answer is 'No.'"

Mr. Morris sat in the witness-box while he gave evidence. He said the pain was so great on

ALEKHINE REGAINS
CHESS TITLE

The Hague, Dec. 8.
Professor Alekhine is again World Chess Champion, after the Dutch teacher, M. Euwe, who gained that title from Alekhine in 1935, resigned after the 25th game of the return match, when Alekhine, in 43 moves, had manoeuvred him into a hopeless position.

Professor Alekhine's regaining of the title is without precedent in the history of chess, since on no occasion previously has a once-deposed champion succeeded in regaining that position.

On the other hand, M. Euwe is the first holder of the Champion title to give the previous holder a chance to recapture it, by agreeing to play a return game.

It is believed that Alekhine, who is not bound by any contractual obligation to the International Chess Association, will not agree to any challenge for one or two years.—
Transocean News Service.

WAR COUNCIL
REFORMReduction Of Age Of High
Command Officers

London, Dec. 7.
The new War Office policy of reducing the age of those holding high command led Lieut-Comdr. R. T. H. Fletcher (Lab.) to ask Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons to-day, if this policy is to be extended to the Navy and Royal Air Force.

The Prime Minister assured his questioner that the First Lord of the Admiralty and Secretary for Air would continue to give full weight to all relevant considerations, including age, health and physical fitness of officers concerned.

Lieut-Comdr. Fletcher asked whether it was not desirable to have an approximation to the average age between the Army Council, Air Council and Board of Admiralty. He quoted the disparity of age between the First Sea Lord and members of the other two bodies (cries of "No").—
Reuter.

NO SLUMP IN
BRITAIN

London, Dec. 7.
Speaking at Birmingham to-day, Mr. Reginald McKenna, former Chancellor of the Exchequer, said there was no evidence of a slump in Britain, although there were certain set-backs due to the recent cessation of spending by the big industrial concerns in the United States, causing a fall in material prices.

But there was no indication of a British decline in general, nor was this likely to occur as a result of the completion of expenditure on rearmament.—
Reuter.

occasions that he had gone on his knees and "hoped he would be taken."

LONDON SHORT
OF POLICE

There is a shortage of recruits for both the City of London and the Metropolitan Police Forces, writes a Home correspondent. Among the reasons given to me by police officials were:—

The high percentage of rejections owing to failure to pass the physical and education standards;

The fact that the pay is no longer higher in London than in the provinces;

The better prospects in the provincial police, especially for men who have been trained in the London forces; and

The attraction of more congenial homes, with gardens, in the country.

The problem is rather more serious in the City of London. One of the executive officers told me that the 5ft. minimum and the weight and chest measurement requirements cause many rejections.

PERCENTAGE OF TEETOTALERS

Many of the applicants who have stated their height to be 5ft. have been found wanting by two or three inches. A large number fail to reach the minimum of 37 to 38 chest measurement and 11-stone weight.

Before the war the average weight of a City of London policeman was between 15 and 16 stone. Now it is much below this. One explanation is that a high percentage of the force are teetotalers.

Another suggestion is that the new recruits were children during the war years, when food was rationed. It is also stated that the wish for a slim figure is not confined to women.

Because of the shortage pensioners have been recalled to duty.

In the Metropolitan Police the shortage is partly attributed to the short-service scheme, under which men are not bound to complete their term, and may give notice. The shortage is not regarded as serious, and is not causing sufficient inconvenience to warrant a publicity campaign.

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MONEYStory Of New Pier
For Brighton

The story of an alleged bogus improvement scheme at Brighton. To include a new pier and a town hall, which would cost £3,000,000, was told at Marylebone Police-court recently.

Before the court was James Cator Scott MacAllan, 69, engineer, of Fairhazel-gdns., Hampstead, with obtaining £125 by false pretences with intent to defraud from a nurse, Miss Elsie May Andrewartha, of Vincentsquare, S.W. 1.

Mr. G. B. Saywell, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said that a year ago Miss Andrewartha began to attend MacAllan professionally after his discharge from hospital. He told her that he was an engineer with two offices in London.

He mentioned that he was about to undertake an improvement scheme, involving about £3,000,000, for Brighton Corporation and that he was negotiating with the Prudential Assurance Company to finance it.

One plan, he said, included a new pier and town hall, the removal of shingle and erection of a new railway on the front—altogether a colossal scheme.

Naturally, said Mr. Saywell, the nurse became interested. MacAllan told her that he was forming a syndicate of seven persons to put up £2,000 each, to get the scheme started. He had found five supporters and he intended to offer the two vacancies to people who had been kind to him. She was invited to take a "quarter unit" for £125.

When she agreed MacAllan went so far as to express his pleasure at being able to reciprocate the kindness she had shown him. He told her that he had had a meeting at Brighton with the Mayor, prominent members of the Council and the surveyor and had been of great assistance to them.

ALLEGED TRICK

Mr. Saywell said that MacAllan gave her a receipt which, in the submission of the prosecution, was only a subtle trick to try to escape his civil responsibility.

Miss Andrewartha, a middle-aged woman, gave evidence in support of the opening statement. She said that she was tremendously impressed by the scheme.

The magistrate, Mr. J. B. Sandbach, K.C.: Did he offer you a share?—No, it was psychological. He talked much about the vacancies and making so much money and I said I wished I could.

He gave her a receipt which said, "In consideration of Miss E. M. Andrewartha subscribing £125 towards the syndicate to be formed for the exploitation of public works, I agree to pay to her as and when received a proportion of the net profits."

Mr. David Edwards, surveyor to the Brighton Corporation, and Mr. Gilbert Goodman, an assistant secretary to the Prudential Assurance Company, gave evidence denying knowledge of MacAllan.

MacAllan was committed for trial. He pleaded not guilty, and reserved his defence.

NEW LOAN ISSUE

London, Dec. 7.

It is stated that arrangements are in progress for a Southern Rhodesia 3½ per cent loan amounting to £2,250,000, to be issued at 101 and redeemable in 1961.—British Wireless.

EXCHEQUER RETURNS

London, Dec. 7.

Exchequer returns show that the total of ordinary revenue amounts to £435,394,700, compared with £412,475,808 at a corresponding date last year. The total expenditure, less self-balancing items, is £592,927,346, compared with £544,037,258 at a corresponding date in 1936. The total of floating debt outstanding is £971,595,000, compared with £845,150,000 a year ago, and represents a net increase of £227,435,000 since March 31.—British Wireless.

GAOL FOR THE "UNPATRIOTIC"

Japanese Government's Firm Stand

The following interesting facts concerning conditions in Japan, was revealed by Mr. M. Lawrence Baron, authority on affairs of the Far East. He disclosed that not only is China showing the scars of Japanese aggression, but in a lesser degree, through none the less discernible, the Island Empire is also affected by the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

There is no freedom of movement in Japan, Mr. Baron said. Foreigners and Japanese alike are followed and closely watched by a well-organized police service. People arriving in Japan have tremendous difficulty in landing. The Japanese see in every foreigner an agent of a boycott movement, and the feeling is decidedly anti-American and anti-British.

MILITARY ACTIVITY

Near Osaka and Yawata, the fortified zone close by Moji, intense military activity prevails both day and night. No foreigners are allowed in that district, and Japanese trains en route to Nagasaki from Kobe, pass this zone with drawn blinds. At nearly all junctions, secret service agents board the trains to inspect passports and other papers of identification.

The largest steel plants situated at Yawata, Osaka, Kobe and a place near Shimonsaki, work incessantly in two shifts of 12 hours each. At least ten ships arrive at Kobe daily, and fleets of barges meet them to unload the cargo of scrap iron and other war material destined for the factory melting pots. The ships fly Greek flags, Mr. Baron stated.

GAOLS FULL

Extreme severity is practiced by the Japanese Government, and people who are not "patriotic," are flung into gaol. At the present time, the gaols are filled with Japanese who allegedly have not done their share for the nation.

Foreigners in Japan are completely under the control of the Foreign Office in Tokyo. Their residences are subjected to visits from the police every day, and their servants are under orders to report everything they see and hear. Consequently, it is absolutely impossible to have any sort of privacy, and the great number of deportations each day, testified to the fate of foreigners who attempt

to tread on forbidden ground. Foreign Consuls and Embassies are helpless in the face of these conditions. When their nationals are arrested they are not even notified, because the Japanese answer to their action is that they have their own laws and resent any interference from outside sources.

OTHER CONDITIONS

Prices for food are going up, and in Mr. Baron's opinion the people of Japan will experience a food shortage before long. Restaurants have raised their prices at least 20 per cent, and foreign tobaccos and other luxuries are constantly increasing in cost because of the heavy duty imposed.

It is impossible, too, to obtain foreign currency, and large firms have great difficulty in transacting business because of these restrictions. The penalty for those who attempt to handle foreign money is severe.

No more than 5,000 yen may be taken out of the country, and hundreds of people are unable to leave Japan for that reason. The large Japanese concerns have practically suspended all business, since they depend mostly on American trade, which is now completely at a standstill.

All mail is strictly censored, and no one dares write conditions as they exist for fear of being deported.

PAID PATRIOTISM

The only show of patriotism in Japan at the moment is seen in the groups of women who greet and send off troop transports at all major railway stations, but they are adequately compensated for their show of patriotic feeling by the Government. The rest of the population displays a suppressed attitude of resentful silence, and in their faces is written the hardships they have to bear, and the true state of their thoughts in relation to the present conflict.

It seems strange in a country where there is supposed to be an inseparable unity that the Government does nothing for the families of soldiers killed in action. It is not surprising, then, that enthusiasm for the war is limited to newspapers and official dispatches, and does not come from the people.

LIBERTY BONDS BOOM

Japanese Mendacity

The sale of Chinese Government Liberty Bonds is soaring beyond the expectations of Government officials and the ultimate success of the bond issue is virtually assured, according to a spokesman for the Committee directly promoting their sale.

Concerning Japanese allegations that the sale of bonds is not meeting with success, and that the public is not responding, the spokesman explained that such statements are merely Japanese propaganda.

NEARING MARK

In the first place more than half of the entire amount of \$500,000,000 was subscribed for in the first 40 days of the campaign while actual receipts are now nearing the \$100,000,000 mark, said the spokesman.

The officially announced pledge made by the provincial committee in charge of the sale of the bonds in Kweichow is \$3,500,000 while actual receipts from the province of Yunnan to date amount to slightly over \$500,000.

Questioned regarding the Japanese statement that the bonds are sold at a discount the spokesman declared emphatically that the bonds are sold at par.

EXPENSES LOW

In spite of the fact that the Liberty Bond campaign, is the first war-time loan ever floated by the Chinese Government, the response on the part of the public has been most satisfactory, he continued, and pointed out that most of the clerical staff engaged by the Committee have been drafted from various Government and public institutions and that practically no expense therefore has been incurred in connection with the employment of a large staff. "The total expenditure of the Committee," he said, "amounted to less than \$10,000 in the month of the campaign, the larger portion of which was for telegraphic messages and stationary and other printed matter," he said.

OVERSEAS SUPPORT

Donations To Aid Defence

A tale of ultra-patriotism lies in the unending stream of millions of dollars pouring into China from overseas Chinese who are rallying to the support of the Central Government. Contributions are coming from Chinese in the United States, in Europe and from all parts of the globe, and judging from their prompt response, they are determined to give until nothing remains, in order that China may overcome the aggressions of her enemy.

NATIONAL PRESTIGE

Perhaps the Chinese people at home do not feel the rise and fall of their national prestige as keenly as the overseas. Having long enjoyed a comparatively discriminatory status, they realize that the elevation of the position of China would mean a corresponding rise of their status abroad. No better contrast could be cited than that between their disappointment in China's passivity during the Manchurian crisis, and their elation over the strong resistance offered by China during the first "Shanghai War."

While it is true that the amount of each donation remitted to the Government from overseas Chinese usually ranged from five to six figures, it may be mentioned that it does not necessarily come from millionaires alone, but also from the farmers, labourers, merchants and miners, who either pay out of their meagre earnings or from their small savings.

Admitting that owing to disruption of communications, the system of public solicitation, remittances and accounting has taken much time, thereby considerably slowing up the work of the Committee, the spokesman concluded that as more branch offices are being opened throughout the country and more agencies are entrusted with the sale of the bonds, it is confidently expected that remittances will be coming in rapidly.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th Dec., 1937, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 14th Dec., 1937, or they will not be recognized.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th Dec., 1937, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by W. R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA) Ltd.

Agents.

Hong Kong, 4th Dec., 1937.

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Hong Kong, 8th Dec., 1937. [5799]

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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGYANG"	On 14th Dec., 2 p.m.
HONGKONG & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 18th Dec., 9.15 a.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KWANGTUNG"	On 18th Dec., 4 p.m.
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All Claims must be sent in to me on
or before the 18th Dec., 1937, or they
will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined
by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs
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of the Consignee at 10.00 a.m. on
Saturday, the 11th Dec., 1937.

Consignees must have a Revenue
Officer in attendance when any dutiable
goods are examined by the Company's
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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES CO.
Hong Kong, 6th Dec., 1937. [5798]

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of Fairhazel-gdns., Hampstead,
with obtaining £125 by false pre-
tences with intent to defraud from
a nurse, Miss Elsie May Andre-
wartha, of Vincentsquare, S.W. 1.

Mr. G. B. Saywell, for the Direc-
tor of Public Prosecutions, said
that a year ago Miss Andrewartha
began to attend MacAllan por-
tionally after his discharge from
hospital. He told her that he was
an engineer with two offices in
London.

He mentioned that he was about
to undertake an improvement
scheme, involving about £3,000,000,
for Brighton Corporation and that
he was negotiating with the
Prudential Assurance Company to
finance it.

One plan, he said, included a
new pier and town hall, the re-
moval of shingle and erection of
a new railway on the front—
altogether a colossal scheme.

Naturally, said Mr. Saywell, the
nurse became interested. Mac-
Allan told her that he was forming
a syndicate of seven persons to
put up £2,000 each, to get the
scheme started. He had found five
supporters and he intended to
offer the two vacancies to people
who had been kind to him. She
was invited to take a "quarter
unit" for £125.

When she agreed MacAllan went
so far as to express his pleasure
at being able to reciprocate the
kindness she had shown him. He
told her that he had had a meeting
at Brighton with the Mayor,
prominent members of the Coun-
cil and the surveyor and had been
of great assistance to them.

ALLEGED TRICK

Mr. Saywell said that MacAllan
gave her a receipt which, in the
submission of the prosecution, was
only a subtle trick to try to escape
his civil responsibility.

Miss Andrewartha, a middle-aged
woman, gave evidence in support
of the opening statement. She said
that she was tremendously impres-
sioned by the scheme.

The magistrate, Mr. J. B. Sand-
bach, K.C.: Did he offer you a
share?—No. It was psychological.
He talked much about the vacan-
cies and making so much money
and I said I wished I could.

He gave her a receipt which
said: "In consideration of Miss E.
M. Andrewartha subscribing £125
towards the syndicate to be formed
for the exploitation of public
works, I agree to pay to her as
and when received a proportion
of the net profits."

Mr. David Edwards, surveyor to
the Brighton Corporation, and Mr.
Gilbert Goodman, an assistant
secretary to the Prudential As-
surance Company, gave evidence
denying knowledge of MacAllan.

MacAllan was committed for
trial. He pleaded not guilty, and
reserved his defence.

NEW LOAN ISSUE

London, Dec. 7.
It is stated that arrangements
are in progress for a Southern
Rhodesia 3 per cent loan amount-
ing to £2,250,000, to be issued at
101 and redeemable in 1961.—
British Wireless.

EXCHEQUER RETURNS

London, Dec. 7.
Exchequer returns show that the
total of ordinary revenue amounts
to £435,394,700, compared with
£412,475,808 at a corresponding
date last year. The total expendi-
ture, less self-balancing items, is
£592,927,346, compared with £544,-
037,253 at a corresponding date in
1936. The total of floating debt
outstanding is £271,555,000, com-
pared with £245,150,000 a year ago,
and represents a net increase of
£27,405,000 since March 31.—
British Wireless.

GAOL FOR THE "UNPATRIOTIC"

Japanese Government's Firm Stand

The following interesting facts
concerning conditions in Japan,
was revealed by Mr. M. Lawrence
Baron, authority on affairs of the
Far East. He disclosed that not
only is China showing the scars
of Japanese aggression, but in a
lesser degree, through none the
less discernible, the Island Empire
is also affected by the Sino-
Japanese hostilities.

There is no freedom of move-
ment in Japan, Mr. Baron said.
Foreigners and Japanese alike
are followed and closely watched
by a well-organized police service.
People arriving in Japan have
tremendous difficulty in landing.
The Japanese see in every foreign-
er an agent of a boycott move-
ment, and the feeling is decidedly
anti-American and anti-British.

MILITARY ACTIVITY
Near Osaka and Yawata, the
fortified zone close by Moji, in-
tense military activity prevails
both day and night. No foreign-
ers are allowed in that district,
and Japanese trains en route to
Nagasaki from Kobe, pass this
zone with drawn blinds. At near-
ly all junctions, secret service
agents board the trains to inspect
passports and other papers of
identification.

The largest steel plants situ-
ated at Yawata, Osaka, Kobe and
a place near Shimonoseki, work in-
cessantly in two shifts of 12 hours
each. At least ten ships arrive at
Kobe daily, and fleets of barges
meet them to unload the cargo of
scrap iron and other war material
destined for the factory melting
pots. The ships fly Greek flags,
Mr. Baron stated.

GAOLS FULL

Extreme severity is practiced by
the Japanese Government, and
people who are not "patriotic," are
flung into gaol. At the present
time, the gaols are filled with
Japanese who allegedly have not
done their share for the nation.

Foreigners in Japan are com-
pletely under the control of the
Foreign Office in Tokyo. Their
residences are subjected to visits
from the police every day, and
their servants are under orders to
report everything they see and
hear. Consequently, it is absolute-
ly impossible to have any sort of
privacy, and the great number of
deportations each day, testified to
the fate of foreigners who attempt

to tread on forbidden ground.
Foreign Consuls and Embassies
are helpless in the face of these
conditions. When their nationals
are arrested they are not
even notified, because the
Japanese answer to their action
is that they have their own laws
and resent any interference from
outside sources.

OTHER CONDITIONS
Prices for food are going up,
and in Mr. Baron's opinion the
people of Japan will experience a
food shortage before long. Restau-
rants have raised their prices
at least 20 per cent, and foreign
tobaccos and other luxuries are
constantly increasing in cost be-
cause of the heavy duty imposed.
It is impossible, too, to obtain for-
eign currency, and large firms have
great difficulty in transacting
business because of these restric-
tions. The penalty for those who
attempt to handle foreign money
is severe.

No more than 5,000 yen may be
taken out of the country, and
hundreds of people are unable to
leave Japan for that reason. The
large Japanese concerns have
practically suspended all business,
since they depend mostly on Amer-
ican trade, which is now com-
pletely at a standstill.

All mail is strictly censored, and
no one dares write conditions as
they exist for fear of being de-
ported.

PAID PATRIOTISM

The only show of patriotism in
Japan at the moment is seen in
the groups of women who greet
and send off troop transports at
all major railway stations, but
they are adequately compensated
for their show of patriotic feeling
by the Government. The rest of
the population displays a sup-
pressed attitude of resentful
silence, and in their faces is writ-
ten, the hardships they have to
bear, and the true state of their
thoughts in relation to the present
conflict.

It seems strange in a country
where there is supposed to be an
inseparable unity that the Govern-
ment does nothing for the families
of soldiers killed in action. It is
not surprising, then, that en-
thusiasm for the war is limited to
newspapers and official dispatches,
and does not come from the peo-
ple.

LIBERTY BONDS BOOM

Japanese Mendacity

The sale of Chinese Government
Liberty Bonds is soaring beyond
the expectations of Government
officials and the ultimate success
of the bond issue is virtually as-
sured, according to a spokesman
for the Committee directly pro-
moting their sale.

Concerning Japanese allegations
that the sale of bonds is not meet-
ing with success, and that the pub-
lic is not responding, the spokes-
man explained that such state-
ments are merely Japanese pro-
paganda.

NEARING MARK

In the first place more than half
of the entire amount of \$500,000,000
was subscribed for in the first 40
days of the campaign while actual
receipts are now nearing the \$100,-
000,000 mark, said the spokesman.

The officially announced pledge
made by the provincial committee
in charge of the sale of the bonds
in Kweichow is \$3,500,000 while
actual receipts from the province
of Yunnan to date amount to
slightly over \$500,000.

Questioned regarding the Japan-
ese statement that the bonds
are sold at a discount the spokes-
man declared emphatically that
the bonds are sold at par.

EXPENSES LOW

In spite of the fact that the Li-
berty Bond campaign, is the first
war-time loan ever floated by the
Chinese Government, the response
on the part of the public has been
most satisfactory, he continued,
and pointed out that most of the
clerical staff engaged by the Com-
mittee have been drafted from
various Government and public in-
stitutions and that practically no
expense therefore has been in-
curred in connection with the em-
ployment of a large staff. "The
total expenditure of the Com-
mittee," he said, "amounted to less
than \$10,000 in the month of the
campaign, the larger portion of
which was for telegraphic messages
and stationary and other printed
matter," he said.

OVERSEAS SUPPORT

Donations To Aid Defence.

A tale of ultra-patriotism lies in
the unending stream of millions of
dollars pouring into China from
overseas Chinese who are rallying
to the support of the Central Gov-
ernment. Contributions are com-
ing from Chinese in the United
States, in Europe and from all
parts of the globe, and judging
from their prompt response, they
are determined to give until no-
thing remains, in order that China
may overcome the aggressions of
her enemy.

NATIONAL PRESTIGE

Perhaps the Chinese people at
home do not feel the rise and fall
of their national prestige as keenly
as the overseas. Having long en-
joyed a comparatively discrimina-
tory status, they realise that the
elevation of the position of China
would mean a corresponding rise
of their status abroad. No better
contrast could be cited than that
between their disappointment in
China's passivity during the Man-
churian crisis, and their elation
over the strong resistance offered
by China during the first "Shang-
hai War."

While it is true that the amount
of each donation remitted to the
Government from overseas Chinese
usually ranged from five to six
figures, it may be mentioned that
it does not necessarily come from
millionaires alone, but also from
the farmers, labourers, merchants
and miners, who either pay out
of their meagre earnings or from
their small savings.

Admitting that owing to dis-
ruption of communications, the
system of public solicitation, re-
mittances and accounting has
taken much time, thereby con-
siderably slowing up the work of
the Committee, the spokesman
concluded that as more branch
offices are being opened throughout
the country and more agencies are
entrusted with the sale of the bonds,
it is confidently expected that re-
mittances will be coming in
rapidly.

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ance when damaged dutiable goods are
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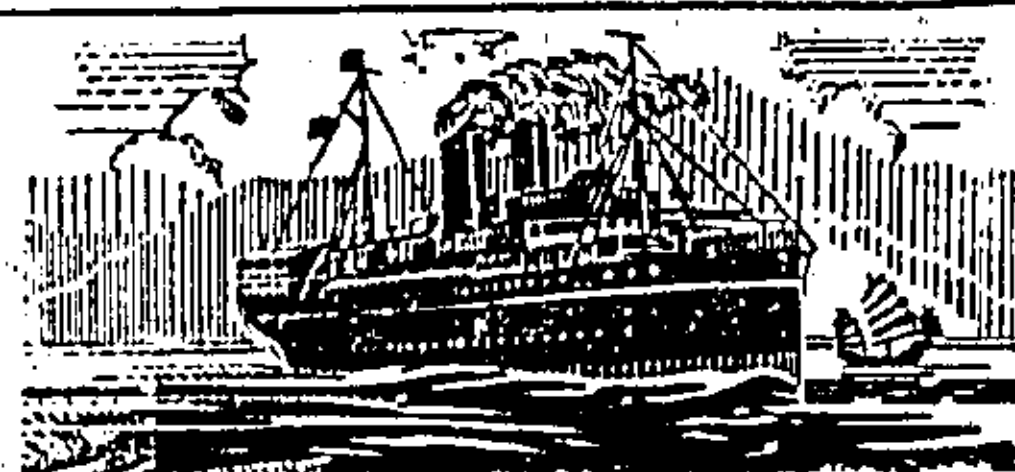
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Hellas, Thoresen's, Dec. 21.

Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 22.

Barentz, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 23.

Batavia

Tjibondari, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 18.

Cromer, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 9.

Scharnhorst, Melchers, Dec. 25.

Samarang

Change, B. & S., Dec. 17.

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Cebu

Silverwalnut, Furness, Dec. 23.

Tjinsadane, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 14.

Davao

Silverwalnut, Furness, Dec. 23.

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Halifax

Kwangtung, B. & S., Dec. 18.

Hohhot

Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Dec. 9.

Munam, B. & S., Dec. 9.

Hai Lee, Thoresen's, Dec. 11.

Kwanlung, B. & S., Dec. 18.

Hai Hing, Thoresen's, Dec. 19.

Makassar

Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 14.

Tjinsadane, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 14.

Manila

Pres. McKinley, A.M. Line, Dec. 11.

Ramsey, Johnson's, Dec. 16.

Clinegar, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 16.

Change, B. & S., Dec. 17.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 17.

Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, Dec. 19.

Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 19.

Silverwalnut, Furness, Dec. 23.

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Scharnhorst, Melchers, Dec. 25.

Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, Dec. 31.

Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Tjinsadane, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 14.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Dec. 14.

Melbourne

Change, B. & S., Dec. 17.

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Pekoh

Kwangtung, B. & S., Dec. 18.

Rabat

Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Santo

Neckar, Melchers, Dec. 10.

Bontekok, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 12.

Sandakan

Tai Suen Hong, Jardine's, Dec. 15.

Hinsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 31.

Samarang

Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 14.

Tjinsadane, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 14.

Sydney

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Thurway

Change, B. & S., Dec. 17.

Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Townsville

Change, B. & S., Dec. 17.

WESTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden

Grootekerk, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 10.

Tai Yang, Thoresen's, Dec. 10.

Rajputana, P. & O., Dec. 11.

Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 15.

Behar, P. & O., Dec. 18.

Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.

Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, Dec. 19.

Rampura, P. & O., Dec. 25.

Soudan, P. & O., Dec. 25.

Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Dec. 13.

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA Jan. 26
EMPRESS OF JAPAN Feb. 8

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CHICHIBU MARU ... Monday, 27th Dec.
TAIYO MARU ... 10th Jan. 1938
TATSUTA MARU ... 25th Jan. 1938

SEATTLE & VANCOUVER (Starts From Kobe)

HIKAWA MARU ... Tuesday, 14th Dec.
HIYU MARU ... Saturday, 25th Dec.

NEW YORK via Panama.

NOTO MARU ... Friday, 31st Dec.
NAKO MARU ... 24th Jan. 1938

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,
Hilo, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

BOKUYO MARU ... Tuesday, 14th Dec.
TATSUTA MARU ... 19th Jan. 1938

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, R'DAM.

KATORI MARU ... Saturday, 19th Dec.
KASHIMA MARU ... 1st Jan. 1938
YASUKUNI MARU ... 14th Jan. 1938

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus,
and Marseilles.

DURBAN MARU ... 12th Jan. 1938

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Ports.

ATSUTA MARU ... Sunday, 25th Dec.
KITANO MARU ... 22nd Jan. 1938

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

ANYO MARU ... Monday, 13th Dec.
TOYAMA MARU ... 27th Dec.
TANGO MARU ... 10th Jan. 1938

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

RYUUN MARU ... 24th Dec.

Kobe and Yokohama (Omitting Shanghai)

DELAGO MARU ... Monday, 13th Dec.
HAKONE MARU ... Friday, 17th Dec.
KITANO MARU ... Friday, 17th Dec.
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Athos II (Messageries), French str.,
will arrive here on Sunday, December
12, at day break. She will very
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Shanghai and Kobe.

Bouvy (W. R. Loxley & Co.), British
str., Capt. Small, 3,751 tons, arrived
on December 4 from Singapore.
Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Blackthorn (Thoresen & Co.), British
steamer, Captain Reid, 2,702 tons,
arrived on September 9 from Portland.
Lying at North Point.

Buntok (J.C.J. Line), Dutch str.,
Captain G. Bottoms, 3,044 tons, arrived
Dec. 6 from Singapore, general cargo.
Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Canton (M. M. & Co.), French str.,
Captain G. Chapt, 943 tons, arrived
Dec. 8 from Haiphong, general cargo.
Mooring at buoy No. 119.

Chongtu (Butterfield & Swire), British
str., Captain B. C. Finch, 1,338 tons,
arrived on December 7 from Saigon.
Lying at Stonecutters.

Christchurch (Bank Line),
British str., Capt. Wooder, 3,753 tons,
arrived December 8 from Chinwangtao.
Mooring at buoy No. A12.

Cremer (J. C. J. Line), Dutch str.,
Capt. H. J. Ahlers, 2,784 tons, arrived
Hong Kong December 8 from Amoy.
Mooring at buoy No. A12.

Emmy (J. M. & Co.), Greek str.,
Captain J. Michailidis, 2,474 tons,
lying at Kowloon Dock.

Empress of Asia (C. P. S.), British
steamer, Capt. G. Gould, 8,883 tons,
arrived here on Dec. 8 from Manila,
general cargo, berthing at Kowloon
Wharf. She will leave for Victoria and
Vancouver, B.C., via Nagasaki, Kobe
and Yokohama at 3 p.m. on Dec. 10.

Empress of Canada (C.P.S.), British
str., Capt. W. T. Kinley, 12,811 tons,
left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via
Honolulu and Japan ports on Nov. 27
at a.m. She is due at Hong Kong on
December 18/17 in the morning and
due to leave for Manila on the same
day in the evening.

Empress of Russia (C. P. S.), British
str., Capt. T. F. Patrick, 8,739 tons,
arrived at Vancouver on Nov. 29 at
8/10 p.m. and leaves Vancouver on
December 11 at 11 a.m. She is due at
Hong Kong on December 30 (Thurs-
day) at a.m. and will proceed to
Kowloon Dock for annual overhaul
after discharge of cargo.

Eag Lee (Yee Tai Hong), Chinese
steamer, Capt. T. Hest, 885 tons,
lying at Taikeo Dock.

Fau Sang (J. M. & Co.), British
str., Captain S. J. Barden, 1,232 tons,
arrived on Dec. 7 from Shanghai.
Mooring at buoy No. B8.

Feng Lee (Yee Tai Hong), Chinese
str., Captain Y. Kabayashi, 1,359 tons,
arrived on Dec. 7 from Shanghai.
Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Foo Shing (J. M. & Co.), British
steamer, Captain Walker, 1,423 tons,
arrived on November 18 from Saigon.
Mooring at buoy No. B8.

Friderun (Melchers & Co.), German
str., Captain H. Reinhardt, 1,470 tons,
arrived 27 November from Rabaul.
Cleared Dec. 8 for Madaga.

Gertrude Maerk (Jensen's), Danish
str., Captain A. Jorgensen, 3,155 tons,
lying at Taikeo Dock.

Grootekerk (J. C. J. Line), Dutch
str., Capt. J. de Man, 4,074 tons, ar-
rived here on December 8 from Kobe.
Mooring at buoy No. A12.

Hai Hing (Thoresen & Co.), Norwe-
gian str., Capt. E. R. Hannavig, 1,445
tons, arrived Nov. 17 from Swatow.
Mooring at buoy No. B2.

Hai Shang (Doddwell & Co.), Chinese
steamer, Captain E. Bok, 2,074 tons,
lying at Stonecutters.

Hai Tan (Douglas & Co.), British
str., Capt. E. Walker, 2,225 tons,
arrived here on December 7 from
Poochow, Amoy & Swatow, gen. cargo.
Berthing at Douglas Wharf.

Hai Yang (Douglas & Co.), British
str., Capt. W. G. Erwin, 1,431 tons,
arrived on December 7 from Swatow.
Cleared December 8 for Swatow.

Hai Yu (Doddwell & Co.), Chinese
str., Capt. V. Andressen, 1,988 tons,
lying at Stonecutters.

Haidis (Kwong Sang Loong), British
steamer, Captain A. Hall, 1,144 tons,
arrived on December 7 from Hoihow.
Lying at Stonecutters.

Hilda Moller (A.E. Gerondal), British
str., Capt. G. F. Haughey, 2,947 tons,
arrived on December 7 from Singapore.
Cleared December 8 for Keelung.

Inverin (Wallace & Co.), sailed for
Seigon on December 7.

Ixon (Butterfield & Swire), British
steamer, Captain J. O. Connor,
6,524 tons, arrived on December 5 from
Seattle via Milke, general cargo.
Mooring at buoy No. A2.

Java (East Asiatic & Co.), Danish
steamer, Capt. Skjoldan, 5,825 tons,
arrived on November 13 from Kobe.
Mooring at buoy No. A1.

Kaying (Butterfield & Swire), British
str., Captain E. H. Hsieh, 1,373 tons,
arrived on December 7 from Swatow.
Mooring at buoy No. B15.

Kiddierpore (P. & O. Line), British
str., left Singapore at 11 a.m. on Dec.
8 (via Sulphur Channel), and is due
here on Dec. 15 at about 11 a.m.

Kingman (Butterfield & Swire), British
str., Capt. N. Hardie, 1,548 tons,
arrived on December 7 from Hoihow.
Mooring at buoy No. B16.

Kum Sang (J. M. & Co.), British
str., Captain D. G. Buileigh, 3,341 tons,
arrived here on December 7 from
Calcutta via Singapore, general cargo.
Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Malaya (East Asiatic & Co.), Danish
steamer, Capt. G. Nielsen, 5,512 tons,
arrived Oct. 31 from Manila, gen. cargo.
Mooring at buoy No. A16.

Marchen Maerk (Jensen & Company),
Danish str., Captain G. Elberg, 1,343
tons, arrived December 7 from Hoihow.
Cleared Dec. 8 for Shanghai.

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Lying at Kowloon Dock.

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Unita (Doddwell & Co.), Norwegian
str., Capt. H. Kvamsø, 2,345 tons,
lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Vardaa (A. P. C.), Norwegian
steamer, Capt. F. Larsen, 1,839 tons,
lying at North Point.

Wing Wah (Tai Fung & Co.), Portu-
guese str., Capt. J. Teixeira, 651 tons,
arrived on December 6 from Hoihow.
Mooring at buoy No. C1.

Yalou (M. M. & Co.), French str.,
Captain Brachet, 5,381 tons, arrived
Dec. 6 from Haiphong, general cargo.
Mooring at buoy No. A1.

Yunhan (Butterfield & Swire), British
str., Capt. J. G. Smart, 1,822
tons, arrived Dec. 3 from Weihaiwei.
Cleared December 8 for Swatow.

ARRIVALS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8.

Canton, French steamer, Captain G.
Charlot, 978 tons, from Haiphong,
general cargo, mooring at buoy
No. B15.

City of Christchurch, British steamer,
Captain Wooster, 3,753 tons, from
Chinwangtao, general cargo and
coal, mooring at buoy No. A12—
Bank Line.

Cremer, Dutch steamer, Capt. Ahlers,
2,784 tons, from Amoy, mooring
at buoy No. A2—Java-China-Japan
Line.

Empress of Asia, British steamer,
Captain G. Gould, 8,883 tons,
from Manila, general cargo,
berthing at Kowloon Wharf—
C. P. S.

Grootekerk, Dutch steamer, Captain
J. de Man, 4,074 tons, from
Kobe, mooring at buoy No. A9—
J. C. J. Line.

Marchen Maerk, Danish steamer, Cap-
tain Nielsen, 1,343 tons, from
Hoihow, general cargo, berthing at Kowloon
Wharf—Jensen & Co.

Talma, British steamer, Captain
C. C. Gwyn, 6,134 tons, from
Calcutta via Singapore, general
cargo, berthing at Kowloon Wharf—
M. M. & Co.

Tuesday, December 7.
Michael Jensen, Danish steamer, Cap-
tain G. Elberg, 1,343 tons, from
Hoihow, general cargo, mooring
at buoy No. C1—Jensen & Co.

Tai Suen, Hong Kong steamer, Cap-
tain C. Conquer, 1,309 tons, from
Sandakan, general cargo, mooring
at buoy No. B22—J. M. & Co.

Turul, Hungarian steamer, Captain
E. Horvathy, 1,509 tons, from
Kueilung, cargo—coal, mooring at
buoy No. B22—Ere East & Co.

Monday, December 6.
Yalou, French steamer, Captain Brach-
et, 5,381 tons, from Haiphong,
general cargo, mooring at buoy
No. A4—M. M. & Co.

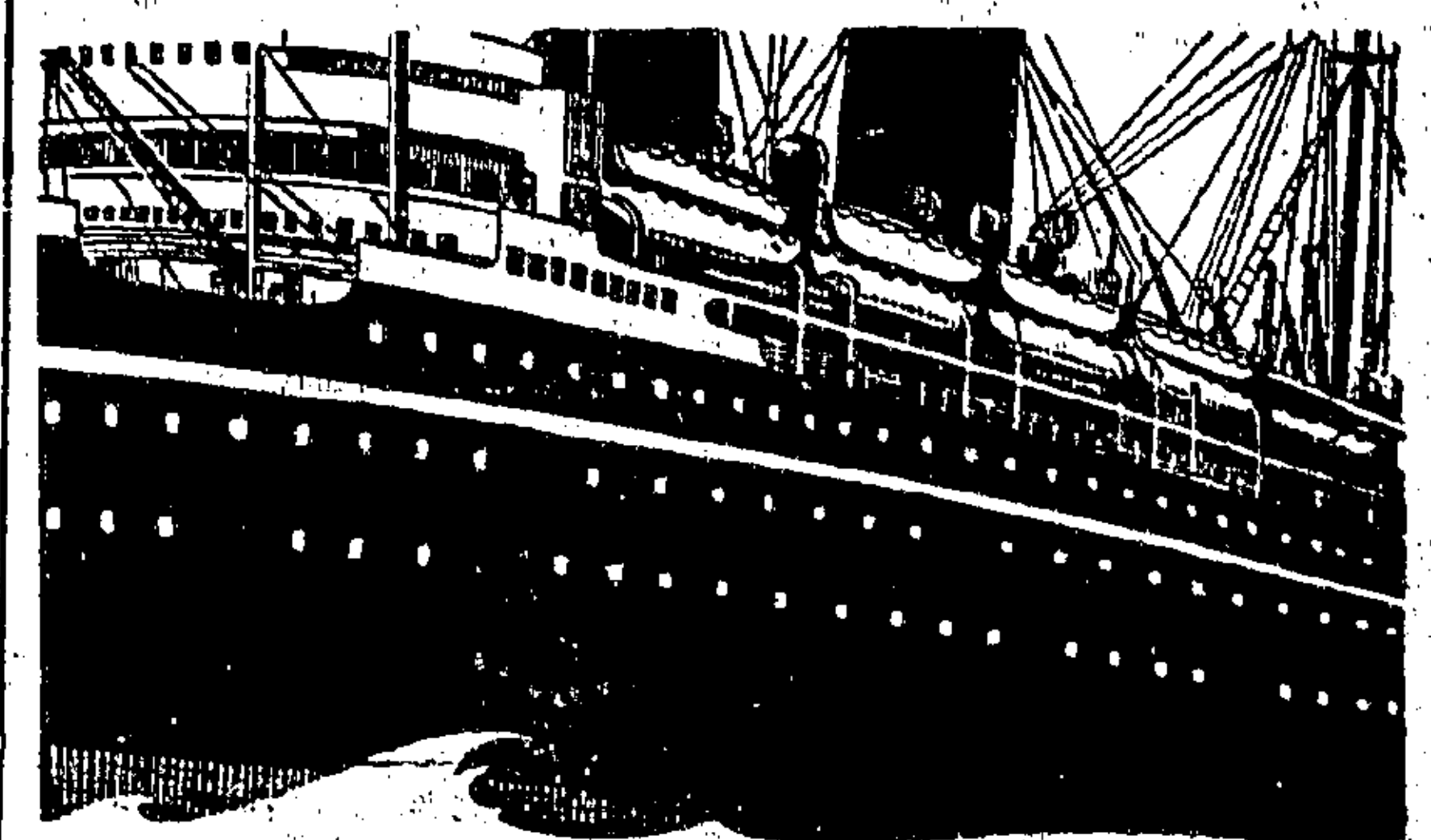
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RANPURA	17,000	24th Dec.	B'bay, Marseilles & London.
BOUDAN	7,000	1st Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	8th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KIDDERPORE	5,000	15th Jan.	Bombay, Karachi & Persian Gulf.
CORFU	14,500	22nd Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
BURDWAN	6,000	29th Jan.	B'bay, Marseilles, L'don, H'bg.
CHITRAL	15,000	5th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	14,500	12th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
SOMALI	7,000	28th Feb.	Marsa, Havre, London, H'bg.

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SANTHA	9,000	16th Dec.	Singapore, Port Swettenham
TALMA	10,000	1st Jan.	Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta.
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RAWALPINDI	17,000	10th Dec.	Japan
SIRDHANA	8,000	23rd Dec.	Amoy & Japan
CORFU	14,500	24th Dec.	Japan
BURDWAN	6,000	25th Dec.	Japan
NELLORE	7,000	2nd Jan.	Japan
SIBIRALA	8,000	2nd Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
CHITRAL	15,000	6th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
TILAWA	10,000	20th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
CARTHAGE	14,500	21st Jan.	Shanghai & Japan

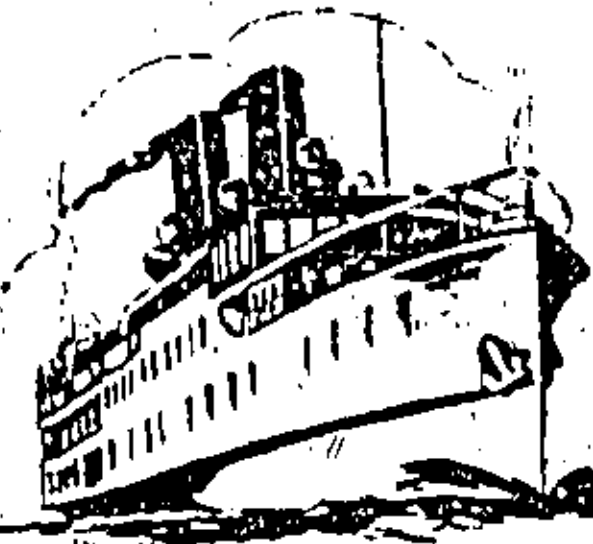
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TRIANGULAR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

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So it proved, and one more goal each by Whitley and Fowler brought to an uninteresting close a game which had promised at the start to provide a fair struggle.

Teams:—
Hong Kong Hockey Club.—V. M. Benwell, Flight-Lt. R. L. Wallace, E. V. Reed, R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed, J. E. Potter, S. Fowler, T. S. D. Whitley, G. E. R. Divett, B. I. Bickford and V. Bond.

Royal Navy.—E. R. A. Chick; Comdr. Billings, Comdr. Taylor; Comdr. Spencer, Lieutenant Miller, Lt. Gordon; Lt. Whitworth, Lt. Thornhill, Lt. Walsham, Lt. Donald and A. B. Meadows.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS
The following are the results of matches played in the present series of Triangular Tournament games to date, including yesterday's match:—
Army beat Navy 4-2 on the Navy ground;
Club beat Navy 3-1 on the Navy ground;
Club beat Navy 5-0 on the Club ground.

LECTURE ON LOURDES

Dr. Sherry At
Ricci Hall

Last night at Ricci Hall the closing lecture of the 1937 series of lectures was delivered to a full house by Dr. Sherry on some remarkable cures of Lourdes. Those who had the good fortune to hear the lecture will not easily forget it. The doctor gave cases of which he had thoroughly examined and sifted all the evidence personally with all the scepticism natural to one of the medical fraternity when faced with cures supposedly beyond the power of the faculty to deal with.

He stressed the points that (a) all neurotic and hysterical cases, where suggestion, imagination etc., may play a part were ruled out; the medical bureau would not even consider them.

(b) The cure must be instantaneous. (c) It must be definitely an organic lesion not some mere functional disorder; (d) the case must come provided with a clear medical attestation of the actual state of the malady.

Dr. Sherry selected some outstanding cases: advanced cancer, advanced lupus; an enormous tumor of the uterus; a thoroughly fractured leg; and an extraordinary case of blindness—that namely of a woman whose sight was restored in such a way that she could see perfectly though the expert ophthalmic surgeon testified that with the eyes in their organic condition she could not see.

A number of excellent slides made clear even to the most ignorant of medical terminology the weight of evidence for the cases, and the extraordinary nature of the cures, which no natural causes could possibly explain. However sceptical the frame of mind might be of any of the audience, he would need not only a triple dose of scepticism but a hundred-fold dose of obstinacy not to be impressed with the wonders of Lourdes. Dr. Sherry spent seven years there carefully investigating case after case with a number of fellow doctors of all races, creeds and no creeds.

A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the doctor for his illuminating lecture.

SACRED MUSIC CONCERT

Little Flower Choir's
Fine Performance

An opportunity for first-hand appreciation of some of the lesser known liturgical works of famous composers was afforded at a recital given at St. Teresa's Church, Kowloon Tong, yesterday evening. The concert was a natural sequel to the very enjoyable one presented at the same Church in September 1936, and was largely attended.

The Little Flower Choir, assisted by four soloists, Miss N. Hyndman, Miss G. Silva, Mr. G. D'Aquino and Mr. G. Stoppani-Thomson, performed the choral pieces, wherein were some difficult passages, in a manner worthy of unstinted praise. The Choir is a great credit to the

A.D.C. STAGES MASTERPIECE

The play is most unusual in theme. It deals boldly with ethical and spiritual values, and shows marked influence of Ibsen and the later works of Shaw. A handful of passengers set out on a rather queer voyage discover eventually that they are dead souls going on their last voyage. In their varied reactions to the discovery, according to their nature, and character in life, hinges the basic idea of the play.

HIGH STANDARD
The acting of the cast is generally of such a high standard that it would be invidious to praise individual performances, but it would not be fair to leave comment at that without reference to the unusually fine work of Nigel Waymouth and Phyllis Henderson. The former, who played the part of Tom Prior, has the most outstanding role, and such a fine characterisation did he offer that he deserves to be selected for special congratulation.

Phyllis Henderson in the role of Mrs. Cliveden-Banks, society snob and hypocrite, more than fulfils all expectations as the result of her Royal Academy of Art training. Not only in speech and deportment, but even in the simplest gestures, she made the character very much alive.

Of the supporting cast, Cyril Champkin as Scrubby, the ship steward, gives a meritorious performance. John Abbott as the Rev. W. Duke, a curate who thinks everyone ought to be "terribly keen," plays as to the manner born. Maude Mather as the pathetic "char," Mrs. Midget, proves herself to be a very able comedy player. Myrtle Brown and F. G. Nigel, as a young couple who have committed suicide, did not have much to do, but what little they did was strikingly good. As Lingley, an unscrupulous financier, Philip Mason impresses exceedingly; and Cyril James as the dreaded examiner, the Rev. Frank Thompson, put in five or ten minutes of very natural acting.

Mention must be made of the very effective setting of a ship's smoking room, which was created by Mr. W. A. Cornell, who has been responsible for much of the A.D.C.'s settings. Edward Grossman's fine stage management left nothing to be desired.

"Outward Bound" will be repeated again this evening, to-morrow night and on December 11, at 9.15 p.m.

Production to-night will not be affected by the official "black-out" as all necessary arrangements have been made to prevent any penetration of light into the street.

ITALIAN RECOGNITION OF MANCHUKUO

Inconsistent With
Recommendation
Of League Report

London, Dec. 8.
Questioned with reference to Italian recognition of Manchukuo Mr. Eden, in the House of Commons, said that it appeared inconsistent with the recommendation of the League Assembly report of September 24, 1933, and it does not appear that any action is called for by the terms of the Chinese protest at Geneva.

Mr. Arthur Henderson asked if the League Council is not justified in taking notice. Mr. Eden said that he could not answer for the Italian Government.

Views of their action must be a matter of opinion but the Chinese protest does not call for any action.

Church, and reflects the excellent training it has received for two years from Professor Elio Gualdi, its able conductor.

Father A. Rignati, who accompanied all the pieces at the organ, also rendered two solos of his own composition. Father Rignati is recognised to be one of the most thorough musicians in the Colony; he fully justified the high opinion in which he is placed by a very wide circle, both as an organist and as an original and able composer, by his fine performance yesterday.

Mr. Pellegatti's merits as a cellist were fully demonstrated in two enjoyable solo numbers. Hong Kong has already had opportunity to hear this fine instrumentalist, and his further public appearance will be very welcome.

SEAFORTH'S PRIZE MEETING

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Fire After Movement (400-300 yds.).—1. L/Cpl. Linsale, L/Cpl. Graham 18/20 points; 3. Pte. Alexander (53), Pte. Morgan, Sergt. Smith, 12/20 points.
Deliberate (500 yds.).—1. Pte. MacKenzie (44), 20/20 points; 2. Pte. Walmsley, L/Cpl. Clark (32), L/Cpl. Tonnar, Pte. Forsyth (44), 19/20.
Deliberate (600 yds.).—1. Cpl. Richardson, Pte. Cruickshanks (51), 17/20 points; 3. Pte. Richardson (74), Bandsman Ainley, 16/20.
The Caber Field Rifle Club Prize to Young Soldier.—Pte. Blacker.

The Grand Aggregate:—Gold Medal:—L/Cpl. Clark (32); Silver Medal:—Pte. Blacker; Bronze Medal:—Sergt. Meeks.
The Regimental Shield:—1. Headquarter Wing, 549 points; 2. "B" Company, 522; "C" Company, 513.
The Gurkha Field (Inter-Coy. Knock-out Match):—Winners, "A" Company; Runners-up, "B" Company.

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NO NEWS OF PHILIPPINE ARMY CHIEF

Aeroplane Still
Missing

Manila, Dec. 8: One of the two aeroplanes which set off from Cebu for Manila yesterday has been located. It had a forced landing en route and was slightly damaged. The occupants are safe. There is no news of the other plane which is carrying Major-General Santos, Chief of Staff of the Philippine Army, and Lieut. William Lee, of the U.S. Army, and grave concern is felt for the occupants.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

WEATHER REPORT

ROYAL OBSERVATORY HONG KONG

10 a.m., Dec. 8.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.14 ins.
Temperature, 68 F.
Humidity, 49 per cent.
Wind Direction, NE.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.
Temperature; maximum yesterday, 70 F.
Temperature; minimum last night, 59 F.
Rainfall for 24 hours, ending 10th to-day, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1, 81.89.
Against an average of 84.30 ins.
Sunset to-night, 5.39 p.m.
Sunrise to-morrow, 6.51 a.m.
4 p.m., Dec. 8.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.00.
Temperature, 68 F.
Humidity, 53.
Wind Direction, East. Wind Force (Beaufort), 3. Maximum temperature, 71. Minimum temperature, 59.
Rainfall, nil.

HONG-KONG TIDE TABLE

From December 9, to 15, 1937.

		High Water	Low Water
Day	Month	Time	Height
Thur.	9	h.m.	ft. in.
		7.42	4.3
Fri.	10	14.45	4.7
		02.28	6.7
		10.30	0.7
Sat.	11	01.25	6.2
		09.58	2.1
Sun.	12	02.45	5.6
		10.27	3.8
Mon.	13	18.27	5.8
		04.51	10.4
Tue.	14	05.59	4.8
		08.07	3.2
Wed.	15	18.05	7.2
		07.39	4.7
		18.13	7.7

FOREIGN MAILS

Christmas Air Mail for Great Britain
by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"

The Christmas Air Mail for Great Britain by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" will be closed in the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office as follows:—
Registered 5.00 p.m. 10th December.
Ordinary 8.00 a.m. 11th December.
This mail is due to arrive at London on the 20th December, 1937.

Ordinary air mail letters for Imperial Airways Direct Service to Europe etc., will, until further notice, be closed at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office 8.00 a.m. on Saturdays. Letters for this Service may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents per 2 ounces, for all countries. Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces.
Envelopes must not be closed.

Air Mail Service to Shanghai is temporarily suspended.

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

FROM	PER	DATE
JAPAN and SHANGHAI	Rajputana	9th Dec.
SAIGON	Nanning	9th Dec.
BAKONG and SWATOW	Kuciyau	9th Dec.
STRAITS and EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 11th Nov. and London Parcels—London date, 4th November	Ran'apindi	9th Dec.
MANILA	Schamhorst	9th Dec.
JAVA and MANILA	Tinagars	10th Dec.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 1st December	Pan-American Airways Plane	11th Dec.
AUSTRALIA and MANILA	Orange	11th Dec.
U.S.A., CANADA and JAPAN (Seattle, 30th November)	Pres. McKinley	10th Dec.
SHANGHAI and SWATOW	Trinan	11th Dec.
JAPAN	Bakuy Maru	11th Dec.
MANILA	Victoria	11th Dec.
SHANGHAI and SWATOW	Trinan	11th Dec.
HONGKONG	G. G. Paul Doumer	11th Dec.
SAIGON	Athos II	12th Dec.
AMOI	Tyngs	12th Dec.
STRAITS	Delago Maru	12th Dec.
STRAITS	Diamond	13th Dec.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 4th December	Imperial Airways Plane	14th Dec.

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REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 8 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

FOR	PER	DATE AND TIME
THURSDAY		Thursday, 9th.
Hoihow	Mingam	9.30 A.M.
Fort Bayard	Wick Wah	10.0 A.M.
Kongmoon and (Pakhoi via Kongmoon)	Tai Lee	11.00 A.M.
Manila	Benigay	9.30 P.M.
		Parcels 4.00 P.M.
		Ord. 5.00 P.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Huang	5.00 P.M.
Amoy	Talma	5.00 P.M.
FRIDAY		Friday, 10th.
Air Mail for North China, Sian & Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 A.M. Ord. 9.30 A.M.
Kongmoon and (Pakhoi via Kongmoon)	On Lee	10.30 A.M.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver, B.C., 27th Dec. and EUROPE via Siberia	Emp. of Asia	Parcels 11.00 A.M. Reg. 11.15 P.M. Ord. 1.00 P.M.
Haiphong	Clanton	2.00 P.M.
Yokohama	Schamhorst	5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hation	3.00 P.M.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th, December.	Imperial Airways Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 10th 5.00 P.M. Ord. 11th 8.00 A.M.
Air Mail for "Australia by Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin, 14th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 11th 5.00 P.M. Ord. 11th 8.00 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 7th January 1938	Rajputana	Reg. 11th 5.00 P.M. Ord. 11th 10.30 A.M.
SATURDAY		Saturday, 11th.
Air Mail for North China and Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 A.M. Ord. 9.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Victoria	9.30 A.M.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 19th Dec.	Rajputana	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.30 A.M. Ord. 10.00 A.M.
Formosa	Hongkong Maru	10.30 A.M.
Amoy	Kingyuen	3.30 P.M.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	4.30 P.M.
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Belra, Mauritius, Lourenco—Marques and South Africa	Bontekos	3.30 P.M.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 17th Dec.	Pan American Airways Plane	Reg. 11th 5.00 P.M. Ord. 11th 8.00 A.M.

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